

# NEWSLETTER

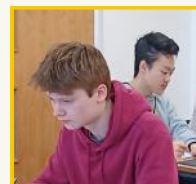
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## PROGRESS CHECKS

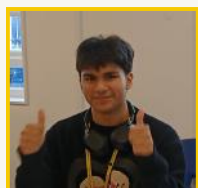
Congratulations to all of our Year 12s on their hard work and excellent focus during this week's Progress Checks. We recognise that this can be a stressful time for some of our students and we are very proud of how well they have managed their workload and stress, and supported one another.

We are diving straight back into learning now that the exams are finished, and it's lovely to see lots of smiles as they pick up where they left off before the half-term break!

Progress Check results will be shared with students on **Thursday 13 March**, and with parents and carers on **Friday 14 March**. Please remember that we have parent/subject meetings coming up on **Friday 28 March** - we will share more details of how to book your conversations very soon.



## ABSENCE REQUESTS DURING SCHOOL TIME



On Monday you received our email telling you that we are moving across to using MCAS (My Child At School) for submitting planned absence requests. Thank you to those parents and carers that have already used it!

Please note that this functionality isn't yet available on MCAS mobile app, although it works really well in the desktop version. We realise that this is less than ideal and we are working with the software provider to resolve it ASAP. We will update you as soon as this functionality is available in the app. For the time being we will still accept planned absence requests submitted via the MS Form on our website, as we are keen to make your life as easy as possible.



Please note that whichever route you choose to request an absence, we require a minimum of 48 hours / 2 working days' notice.

## EVENTS THIS TERM

Our focus for the rest of the Spring term is very much on learning - and we are excited to offer our students some educational opportunities away from school too!

- On Tuesday 4 March, Mr George and Mrs Bourne are taking Year 12 to the **University of Surrey Spring Fair**, a fantastic event at which the students will have the opportunity to speak to a multitude of exhibiting universities and apprenticeship providers, to help them choose their next steps.
- We are currently arranging a **subsidised theatre trip** for our Year 12s, to support their cultural development - more details to follow soon!
- Excitingly, we have now made offers to our September 2025 cohort, and would love some of our current students to support their first **offer-holders event** on Saturday 22 March (can it really be a year since we were meeting many of you at St Saviours?!). Some of our Year 12s are already doing a fabulous job of speaking to offer holders to answer their questions and add a real student voice to their developing impressions of SuMS.

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- UK University & Apprenticeship Search - 4 Mar
- Speaker event - New Orbit Space Ltd - 6 Mar
- Progress Check results to students - 13 Mar
- Progress Check results to parents/carers - 14 Mar
- Parent/carers subject meetings - 28 Mar
- Gold DoE Practical training - 30 Mar

Please note that the term dates for next year (2025-26) are now published [on the website, here](#).