

Our ref: SAN/KBR

21<sup>st</sup> July 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we get near the end of Year 10, I wanted to take the opportunity to share with you some updates and reminders ready for Year 11, as well as signposting some important contact information ready for the year ahead. Year 10 have seen some remarkable success this year from Work Experience to an outstanding mock exam series where feedback on the culture of the year group throughout, was exceptional.

### **Period 7's**

In Year 11, the timetable of the day for students runs from 8.40am-3.50pm with our Year 11 having an additional period between 3-3.50pm, Tuesday-Friday. The lesson during this period is personalised for students; some may be in a particular subject at a teachers request whereas others may be in "Directed Study" focussing on coursework and exam preparations. The lessons are a compulsory part of our Year 11 day, and I thank you in advance for upholding its importance by arranging any appointments for your child outside of this time. Our Year 11 students therefore have an early finish on Monday's of 3pm.

### **Post-16 Support**

As an academy, we strive to support families with Post-16 applications and ensure that our students have access to up to date and relevant information to inform their choices. During the start of Year 11, we host Post-16 assemblies from a variety of providers promoting a range of routes including College, Sixth-Form and apprenticeship routes. Every child in Year 11 will also receive a 1:1 session with Jackie Fielding, our Careers Advisor. As a school, we can support students with their applications, but we strongly recommend families attending open day events in the community for their top choice selections. As a guide, all students in Year 11 should have made 3 applications to Post-16 providers by the Christmas holidays. If you feel you would like support with this, or would like to attend your child's 1:1 meeting to better understand the application process, please contact Jackie directly via email [jackie.fielding@clf.uk](mailto:jackie.fielding@clf.uk).

### **Tassomai & Summer Independent Study**


Rest over the summer for students is of great importance, so we encourage this for Year 10. However, it is also important to continue some revision and learning. To support this, we strongly encourage students to continue their Tassomai daily goals whilst at home. For maths, summer work has been set by individual class teachers, mainly in the form of Dr.Frost and practice exam papers.

### **Dates for the fridge**

Included with this letter is a “dates for the fridge pathway” for you to keep on display at home. I hope this may be of use when planning for the year ahead including any family holidays to book and to better understand your child's journey towards their GCSE's. Some of these dates will be confirmed in the new academic year, particularly around the holiday revision sessions. As a guide, we usually hold 2 days in October half-term and 3 in the first week of the Easter Holidays for targeted student groups covering roughly 70% of the cohort, with 3 days in the May half term for all students. We do see significant impact with these sessions allowing for greater depth of knowledge to be gained and really do appreciate the implications on holiday planning, which is why we will send the dates out as soon as possible in September.

If you have any questions regarding the above key areas, or have a question around the Year 11 journey, please get in touch either using the school contact number or directly via email: [sian.angell@clf.uk](mailto:sian.angell@clf.uk)

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sian Angell', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

**Sian Angell**  
**RSL Year 10**