

**March 2023**

Dear Students,

### **Travelling by Bus**

I wanted to start this letter with some positive feedback from a local resident about behaviour they observed from Haydon students on the bus:

*“I was on the 282 bus from Northwood to Eastcote on Tuesday afternoon. The bus stopped outside Northwood Hills underground station where a large number of Haydon and Northwood School students were waiting. The bus left the stop full to capacity, with students crammed in standing all along the bus. It wasn't a pleasant journey for anyone, and it could have been mayhem, but there was no pushing, no shouting, no complaining and no bad language. Instead, the students chatted together happily, and one young boy gave up his seat for a lady who needed it. The behaviour of the students was exemplary, and a very good advert for both schools. “*

This was lovely to read. I know sometimes the buses are extremely crowded, but when your behaviour is like this, you are an excellent advert for Haydon School. We were also recently asked by TFL to remind you to tap in using your Zip card, so please remember to do this.

### **Year 7 & 8 Toilet**

You will have been told about this in assemblies and by your form tutors, but just to remind you - the top floor toilets in St Mary's are only for Year 7 and 8 students at break and lunch. Girls in older year groups will need to go one floor down to the middle of St Mary's, and boys will need to go across to St Nicks or Dobson.

### **Punctuality in the mornings**

Whilst the vast majority of you are always punctual to school and to lessons, we currently have a number of students arriving late to school in the morning. We have made the decision that if you are late to school in the morning you will now attend the daily detention in the afternoon. Part of our job as teachers is to prepare you for the world you will enter when you leave us, and no employer will allow you to arrive late to work every day!

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### Careers Website

This is a notice particularly for students in older year groups, but for any student thinking about their future options at GCSE or A Level, we wanted to highlight the below website as particularly useful. It contains lots of useful information about the potential jobs you could do with the subjects you take at school

<https://careerpilot.org.uk/job-sectors/subjects>

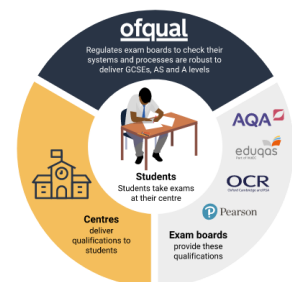
### A couple of reminders

We have told you all this before, but wanted to ensure you had all been reminded: Remember that aerosol cans are not allowed in school, and that your phone should be switched off at school and not seen.

### Summer Exams

Ofqual, the body who organise exams have produced a guide for students to support you in your summer exams. This [is a link](#). The guide provides information about this year's arrangements for qualifications and also explains what support is in place when taking exams and assessments. We know that the exam session can be very stressful. [This is a link](#) to a guide produced by Ofqual to help you cope with exam pressure. Even if you are not taking your final exams this year you may want to look at this as it provides excellent advice on:

- How you can feel more confident about exams or assessments.
- How best to plan revision
- How to manage stress and anxiety and the difference between the two.



Yours sincerely

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