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Dear Parents and Carers of Year 12 Students

I hope this letter finds you and your families well. As we enter the final half term of Year 12, I am writing to emphasise the significance of this crucial period for your child's academic and personal development.

This half term represents the "engine room" of long-term achievement. It is now that students should be consolidating their learning, embedding strong study habits, and maximising engagement in every lesson. The foundations laid over the coming weeks will not only support a successful start to Year 13 but also shape the outcomes they will achieve at the end of their A-Level or vocational courses.

As we encourage students to look ahead, it is essential they begin to define their "exit strategy" from Hayes School. Whether they aim for university, apprenticeships, employment, or other pathways, clarity about next steps provides powerful motivation. We urge all students to reflect on what they need to do to reach their chosen destination and to begin working with focus and determination toward those goals.

To support this journey, we have two important upcoming events:

- **Work Experience (WEX) – Week Commencing Monday 30th June 2025**
This is a valuable opportunity for students to explore the world of work, build confidence, and begin shaping their post-18 plans. Please encourage your child to fully engage in their placement and reflect on what they learn from the experience. If students are yet to find a placement, please urge them to seek support from Mrs Stewart our in school careers lead.
- **Futures Day – Tuesday 9th July 2025**
On this day, students will participate in workshops and sessions designed to help them understand the routes available to them after Year 13. From university choices to employment pathways, Futures Day will be an intensive, informative and inspiring day of preparation for the road ahead.

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We are also committed to keeping our students safe, both in school and beyond. Our local safeguarding partners have issued a warning regarding the circulation of dangerous substances in London. Tragically, over the recent Bank Holiday weekend, two individuals lost their lives in Southall and Ealing after reportedly consuming green pills marked with '80' on one side and possibly 'OP' on the other.

The tablets have been found to contain a potent synthetic opioid, and similar pills may be in circulation under a range of appearances and names. It is vital to stress that:

- Even a small dose could be fatal.
- Usual harm-reduction advice does not apply.
- If students are ever in a situation where someone has taken an unknown substance and becomes unwell, they should seek immediate medical help and not delay in hopes that symptoms will pass.

Support and advice are available through local services including Change Grow Live – Bromley (Tel: 0208 289 1999), and more information can be found on national platforms such as [FRANK](#).

We are at a pivotal point in your child's education, and their engagement now will pay dividends in the months to come. With your continued support, we are confident that our students can end Year 12 positively and look ahead to Year 13 with purpose, ambition, and the resilience needed to succeed.

We will be in touch in due course with more information regarding the events mentioned above, and how your child can make the best start to Year 13.

Kind Regards

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