



# THE ECCLESBOURNE SCHOOL

*'Learning Together For The Future'*

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## **Keeping Parents and Carers Informed - Parents Evenings, Reports and Curriculum**

I hope that you are well and that your child has settled well into the first term back at school. The start of the term has been extremely busy with Information Evenings for Years 7, 9, 10; the Sixth Form Information Evening for our Year 11 students, and our 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Prize Day. If were unable to attend the information evenings, you can find the presentations on the school website. We have also taken all of Year 9 to Lea Green for Team Building, held our Mini Olympics for Year 7 and the House Play season has begun in earnest. During the academic year we will continue to have many events for students to get involved with and we will keep you informed.

## **Keeping you informed about your child's progress**

We know that the best outcomes for students happen when school and families work together. Over the course of the year there will be a parent's evening for every Year group where you can talk to your child's teachers. You will receive information on how your child is progressing in school, so you are able to support them. The reporting and parents evening cycle is explained below.

7BCLR	Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2024 (4.30-6.30pm)
7ENUS	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2024 (4.30-6.30pm)
8BCLR	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November 2024 (4.30-6.30pm)
8ENUS	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 (4.30-6.30pm)
9BCLR	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January 2025 (4.30-6.30pm)
9ENUS	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2025 (4.30-6.30pm)
Year 10	Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2025 (4.30-6.30pm)
Year 11	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2025 (4.30-6.30pm)
Year 12	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> January 2025 (4.30-6.30pm)
Year 13	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 (4.30-6.30pm)

In addition, you will be sent information about your child's progress through interim reports which update you on teacher's assessment of their effort, current attainment, and projected grades. Every child receives a full written report once a year with detailed comments on how they are doing and to improve. When your child sits mock examinations, you will be sent their results.

	<b>Term 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>Term 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>Term 5 &amp; 6</b>
<b>Year 7</b>	Interim report (13/12/24)	Interim report (21/3/25)	Full report
<b>Year 8</b>	Interim report (13/12/24)	Full report	Interim report (15/7/25)
<b>Year 9</b>	Interim report (13/12/24)	Interim report (21/3/25)	Interim report (15/7/25)
<b>Year 10</b>	Interim report (13/12/24)	Interim report (21/3/25)	Full report
<b>Year 11</b>	Full report	Interim report (21/3/25)	
<b>Year 12</b>	Interim report (13/12/24)	Interim report (21/3/25)	Full report
<b>Year 13</b>	Interim report (13/12/24)	Full report	

### **Information about the curriculum and revision**

To find out about the curriculum your child is following, you can use the curriculum pages on our website. Knowing what your child is learning can help you support them in their learning at home. You will find detailed curriculum overviews for each subject by following this link:

[Introduction | Ecclesbourne School](#)

Each child has access to the School's Revision Zone on the Student Portal. This provides them with additional resources to help with their learning. And finally, although exams may be a little way off for some students, we regularly get asked for advice on how to revise. There are some short videos on our website which give suggestions which you may want to look at with your child.

[Study Skills for Pupil Premium \(ecclesbourne.derbyshire.sch.uk\)](https://ecclesbourne.derbyshire.sch.uk)

### **Charities – helping our students become well rounded citizens**

We recently wrote to you about the three charities that we will be supporting this year. Currently our Sixth Form Co-Head Boys and Girls and Community Ambassadors are planning the first Padley Food Bank Drive which we will be delivering between now and the end of half term. Working in groups, students will be collecting a box of essential food items per form group that will be delivered to the food bank by our students. So can I therefore ask that you support this through generous donations.

Next week is World Mental Health Day and students will be exploring how we can keep ourselves mentally well and the importance of resilience. We will also have visitors from the charity Men's Shed at Belper taking about the work they do to support young people locally.

Lastly, in the week commencing 14 October students will be celebrating Black History Month culminating in Show Racism the Red Card on the 18 October. To celebrate this day, we are asking all students to wear a red badge. Students can purchase a badge two ways either through the ParentPay app where we ask for a donation or they can bring cash into school then they are able to purchase one from our anti-bullying or Diversity groups. We will also be selling cakes in school on 18 October, so if you would like to donate cakes that have a red theme then please bring them into school on the day and your child can drop them off at Upper School Office.

### **Pastoral Support**

If your child needs any support or you would like further information, then please do not hesitate to contact your child's Head of Year or Mrs Ourabi (Senior Deputy Head - Pastoral) so we can either invite you into school for a meeting or point you in the right direction as to where you can access more support.

### **Equipment and Uniform**

We would ask that you support your child by ensuring they have the correct equipment and books each day. This includes a fully charged laptop and PE kit. Students are responsible for bringing their laptop into school fully charged. The Year 7-11 student laptops can be charged with the power brick provided with the device or any 65w USB-C charger. Replacement chargers will only be issued where the charger is faulty.

Going through what they will need the evening before and helping them to pack their bags initially will help them to get into good habits which will support them as they go through the school. It will also reduce any anxiety they may have about forgetting anything. I would also advise that your child brings a coat into school as the days are getting colder. As ever we are very thankful to our parents and carers for making sure our students come to school in correct uniform.

Yours sincerely,



Clarissa Ourabi  
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Head of Pastoral & Behaviour



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