



Tadcaster Grammar School

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Dear Parents

Year 12 Key Dates and Information

May I firstly take this opportunity to welcome you back to the final term of Year 12.

We are now well underway with the A2 course content and, with our second formal assessment point in June, revision should be at the forefront of students' independent study time. The need for continual revision of units already covered is one of the key areas of success in a linear A2 programme. Students should also now be regularly accessing past papers, examiners comments and completing independent study tasks e.g. mind mapping, extended research etc.

This formal end of Year 12 assessment week is an important point when looking at student progress. The grades achieved from the assessment week, alongside continual assessment throughout the year, will determine the UCAS grades staff will be asked to provide. This will affect the Universities students can apply to, so I urge you to discuss with your child the importance of treating these assessments as seriously as they would their external examinations next year.

This term also sees the beginning of the process of applying to University and looking at other Post-18 options. If considering University, your child should be looking to attend Open Days. These can be found on www.opendays.com

In addition, we are holding a UCAS, Student Finance and Apprenticeship Information Evening for Year 12 parents and students on Thursday 9 May 2019 at 6pm. Further information about the event can be found on the Letters page of the school website and you can sign up to attend here <https://forms.gle/oJecncRsWcLn2fmW8>. Should you require any support regarding careers advice, please do not hesitate to contact our Careers Manager, Ms Davies (l.davies@tgs.starmat.uk)

I am enclosing a list of key dates for you to add to your calendars so, alongside us, you can support your child during the remainder of this academic year and into the next, alongside some support material for you, as parents, to help your child to use independent study time effectively.

If you need any further support or guidance please contact your child's tutor or myself and Mrs Gadsby.

Yours sincerely

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Year 12 Key Dates 2018/19 Academic Year

Monday 29 April	School reopens
Thursday 2 May	Visit to Brasenose College, Oxford
Monday 6 May	School closed for May Day Bank Holiday
Tuesday 7 May	UCAS Undergraduate Search Tool goes live
Thursday 9 May	UCAS, Student Finance and Apprenticeship Information Evening (for parents and students) 6pm
Monday 13 May	Summer 2019 AS examinations begin <i>For all students taking AS examinations, students are required to be available up to and including Wednesday 26 June 2019 to sit their examinations - this includes the National Contingency Day</i>
Tuesday 21 May	UCAS 2020 Undergraduate Apply Live Opens
Friday 24 May	School closes for Half Term – reopens Monday 3 June
Monday 3 June	Year 12 Reports available to view online
w/c Monday 24 June	Year 12 Formal End of Year Assessment Week - all examinations in S1
w/c Monday 1 July	Year 12 Work Experience Week
Friday 12 July	Year 12 End of Year Assessment Results available to view online
Friday 12 July	Deadline for Work Experience Booklet to be completed and handed in
Friday 12 July	Sports Day – no lessons
Friday 19 July	School closes for Summer at 12.25pm <i>Students should utilise the summer break to source any further suitable work experience and consolidate learning from Year 12.</i>
Thursday 15 August	GCE & AS Results Day <i>Students who are unable to collect their results in person should leave a stamped, self-addressed envelope with the Examinations Officer before Friday 12 July 2019 (for results to be posted). Please note we are not able to email results to students.</i>

Year 13 Key Dates 2019/20 Academic Year

Thursday 5 September 2019	Year 13 students return to school
Thursday 5 September 2019	Year 13 Whole Year Group Photograph (during VT)
Friday 4 October 2019	TGS final deadline for Oxford/Cambridge medicine, veterinary and dentistry
Tuesday 15 October 2019	UCAS final deadline for Oxford/Cambridge medicine, veterinary and dentistry
Friday 22 November	TGS final deadline for UCAS applications
Wednesday 15 January 2020	Completed 2020 entry applications can be submitted to UCAS