



Sixth Form Message

END OF FIRST HALF MESSAGE

As we reach the end of the first half term, our year 12 students have have fully embraced independent study and are gaining a real momentum in their work. They've been receiving valuable feedback and guidance, which is clearly reflected in their progress.

With our Oxbridge applications now submitted and focus turning to UCAS and curriculum vitae preparation, as well as the recent presentations on degree apprenticeships, we're very much on track and proud of the hard work that has taken place so far.

Students should use this break to take stock of their achievements and recognise how quickly the Sixth Form journey moves! We encourage everyone to enjoy a well-earned rest and return with the same, if not even greater, focus and determination to make the next half term just as successful.

We wish all our students a restful and refreshing half-term break.

SENIOR STUDENT ROLES

Our Year 13 students were invited to put themselves forward for Senior Student positions. This is a wonderful opportunity for them to play an important role in representing ETA Sixth Form at events and to act as positive role models for their peers and the wider school community.

Those who applied were interviewed, and the outcome of these interviews, along with how each student demonstrated their strengths, has helped us identify the roles we feel they are best suited to.

We're really looking forward to working with these students, as well as the wider cohort, to ensure a successful Open Evening. They will be fully involved in this event, and beyond that, will also take part in fundraising, wellbeing, and peer mentoring activities when we return after the half-term break.

Please find attached the communication that has already been shared with students, which outlines the different roles and responsibilities in more detail: [Senior Student Roles](#)

SIXTH FORM OPEN DAY - THURSDAY 6TH NOVEMBER

All Year 12 and 13 students will have the opportunity to take part in our Sixth Form Open Evening. We would love as many students as possible to be available on the evening and to act as ambassadors, subject champions, and role models, talking to prospective students and families about their experiences.

This is a great opportunity for our cohort, as it helps build those all-important soft skills that can be referred to in future applications. Please confirm your attendance by completing this form:

[Sixth Form - Helper Form](#)

YEAR 11 STUDENTS

Our Sixth Form Open Evening is happening on Thursday, 6th November – come along, meet our team, explore subjects, and discover all the amazing opportunities waiting for you!

Please book to confirm your attendance by completing this form:

[Sixth Form - Open Evening - Booking Form](#)

Chloe Dowden

KEY INFO

- [Degree Apprenticeship presentation](#)
- [Sixth Form Dress Code](#)
- [School photo code: C40-3DB-26B1](#)
- [Martin Lewis: Five things EVERYONE needs to know about student finance 2025/26](#)
- [UCAS - Search / Open Days and Events](#)
- [Explore Forage](#)
- [This is what makes us special...](#)
- [Student finance](#)
- [Preparing for Your Future: UCAS, CVs, and Degree Apprenticeships.](#)
- [Year 13 UCAS applications parents' guide](#)

KEY DATES

Yr USA trip - 22nd to 29th October
Yr 11 Sixth Form Open Evening - Thursday 6th November
Yr 12 English and Math resist - 4th to 11th November
Yr 12 Art & Photography mock - 18th and 19th December
Yr 12 UCAS discovery trip / ExCel London: Tuesday 24th March

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Driving Lesson / Test - Permission Form: [Driving Permission Form](#)
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SUPPORT

Emotional and Physical Support:

Bedfordshire Counselling Service: [Open Door](#)
Hitchin Counselling Service: [HCS](#)
Mental Health Charity: [Young Minds](#)
Mental Health Support: [Kooth](#)
HelpLines: [Samaritans](#)
Sexual Health: [iCaSH](#)
Vaping: [Childline](#)
Delete social media: [BBC](#)
Remove nude images: [NSPCC](#)
ETA Safeguarding: [Etonbury Safeguarding](#)
NHS Mental Health Crisis Line: i111 and select option 2

Academic Support:

Funding: [Harper Trust](#)
Funding: [Sutton Trust](#)
Funding: [Connolly Foundation](#)
Bursary: [16 - 19 Bursary](#)

STUDENT NOTICES

Please don't forget - If leaving the school site for any reason - you must sign out.

EXAM INFORMATION

[Please use this link to find information on when your exams are taking place](#)

[YEAR 12 & 13 BTEC EXAM DATES 2026](#)

DEGREE APPRENTICESHIPS

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- [STAR](#)
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