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Dear Parent/ Carer

I am writing to introduce myself as the new Year Progress Leader for year 10. It was a pleasure to meet the students on Friday, albeit for a short period of time. It was certainly not the start to the year any of us had anticipated. Thank you for your continued support and messages of encouragement as we continue to deliver a high quality education, despite the current circumstances. I wanted to take this opportunity to share with you our expectations for the coming year, as well as opportunities for students and important key dates.

RVHS Expectations

I look forward to working with you and your child over the next two years as they undertake their GCSE courses and are successful in securing the relevant results needed to progress to the next stage of their education.

We hope to equip your child with the skills needed to be successful learners and in order to do this have high expectations. All students are required to be in school on time, in correct uniform, with the necessary equipment ready to learn. PE kit should no longer be worn to school and there should be no trainers.

Please use this link for an up to date uniform list

<https://rodingvalley.net/high-school/uniform/>

It is vital that all year 10 students are attending online lessons in order to not miss any key content from their GCSE course. This includes P1 sessions, as this is where any key information and changes will be communicated. The vast majority of students have managed to successfully log on, however if there are any concerns then your child should communicate with their academic mentor in the first instance. Please note the times of the school day, as there is now a change to Monday due to extended Personal Development.

Please see the new timings on the link:

<https://rodingvalley.net/about/the-school-day/>

There is a wide range of support available within the school ranging from the academic mentor, to class teachers and the wider pastoral team. Most students have managed to log onto their online account, however if there are issues please contact your child's academic mentor for support with this.

Home learning club is available both during lunchtime in S2 and after school in IT5 for those students who would benefit from a more focused environment.



Please find a list of the academic mentors and their contact details.

Argon	Miss Kalair	skalair@rodingvalley.net
Beryllium	Mr Savage	jsavage@rodingvalley.net
Carbon	Mr Patel	bpatel@rodingvalley.net
Fluorine	Mr Wilson	rwilson@rodingvalley.net
Lithium	Mr Bedi Mrs Lasfer	vbedi@rodingvalley.net klasfer@rodingvalley.net
Magnesium	Ms Furtado	efurtado@rodingvalley.net
Neon	Mr Huxford	mhuxford2@rodingvalley.net
Oxygen	Miss Michaud	smichaud@rodingvalley.net

Progress

During this academic year there will be several opportunities for you to gain feedback on how your child is progressing. This will be through contact with subject teachers as well as a report later in the year. Your child will also be sitting a series of PPE (Pre Public Examinations) in the Summer term; so that your son/daughter can experience exam conditions and have a chance to put their revision skills into practice. Our team will be running a series of revision workshops to support this. If you would like to access any of our excellent revision resources, [please click here](#).

Year 10 Information Evening

The information evening for **year 10 will be held virtually on Monday 18th September**, 6pm - 6:45pm. This will be a chance for you to hear from Mr Charlton and members of the Senior Leadership Team who support year 10. We will cover curriculum, behaviour, attendance and the support in place for year 10 on the road to their GCSE's.

Please log in using the link below:

<https://stream.meet.google.com/stream/339656ce-4d6d-4660-b197-e43683b43af3>

****Please note that before accessing this link, you must be signed into your son/daughter's RVHS email account.**

Year 10 Parents Evening: Thursday 18th April 2024

Year 10 parents evening will take place on the school site on **Thursday 18th April 2024** from 4pm - 7pm. This is an extremely important opportunity for you to discuss your child's academic progress with each subject teacher. Information about booking this will be sent nearer the time.

Careers

Year 10 is an extremely important time for students to begin thinking about their future. As well as their weekly period 1 careers lessons throughout the year, during the summer term students in year 10 will participate in a careers programme to include:

A 'take your child to work day'

A College Taster Day or A Level Taster Day

Mock Interview Day.

Students will receive CV writing workshops and a variety of Post 16 Options lessons in preparation for their careers programme.

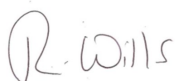
Extra-curricular activities

We encourage all students to take part in an extra-curricular activity in order to have a well rounded lifestyle. Please take time to look over the list and encourage your child to attend at least one. These will be updated each term.

<https://rodingvalley.net/high-school/extra-curricular/>

I look forward to working with you in the coming 2 years and celebrating the success of your child.

Yours faithfully



Mrs R Wills
Year 10 Progress Leader



Ms P Larkin
Deputy Headteacher