

Newsletter for Families 13th October 2023

Our vision is to create an excellent school that gives every child no matter their background or beliefs, the opportunity to live happy and fulfilling lives; go to university or pursue the career of their choice.

Principal's Message

It's been another good week in the school – lessons have been calm and focused and students have been working hard to make great progress. I toured a number of Year 6 parents over 4 mornings this week as part of our Open Morning provision. Parents were impressed and all commented on the calm, quiet and hardworking classrooms and the positive culture of the school.

Soon, mock examinations will be taking place once again which is an exciting time for our current Year 11 cohort. We are in the process of recruiting invigilators at the moment – if you, or anyone you know of, might be interested, please do send an email to exams@coleridgecc.org.uk to find out more information.

I also want to speak about the importance of maintaining our impressive start this term to whole school attendance. We all know that the best place for students to learn is in the classroom and for that to happen students need good attendance. At Coleridge, we ask students to try for 100% attendance, and where this is not possible to try to get as close as possible to this. We understand that students are sometimes not well enough to attend, but we would ask that wherever possible students are determined enough to be in school. Sometimes students might not be well enough to be in school in the morning but feel much better in the afternoon – if this is the case, please do send your child to school. We would also ask that parents do not arrange family holidays or trips during school time. Currently our whole school attendance sits at just over 92%.

Reports

We will soon be sending out an additional report this year to increase communication to our parents and carers. This will include homework completion and attitude to learning so far this term. The Year 11 reports will also contain predicted grades and will be sent on Wednesday 18th October. All other years will be circulated Monday 30th October so please keep an eye out for these!

Year 11 Mock Examinations and Parents' Evening

As previously mentioned, our Year 11 mock examinations will be taking place between 13th- 27th November with an extended window for Modern Foreign Languages and Art exams. We are very excited at the prospect of Year 11 sitting these exams which will help to support their preparation for the summer series.

Please use this link to support at home should you need it: https://www.coleridgecc.org.uk/learning/exams/ks4-exam-preparation



We are looking forward to welcoming our Year 11 parents between 4-7pm on Thursday 19th October. It will be an opportunity to discuss predicted grades, see the quality of work produced so far in lessons and to understand what can be done at home to support. Please ensure you have booked an appointment by Wednesday 18th to secure a slot with the relevant teachers.

Safeguarding and well-being at Coleridge

This week, all students have received an assembly from the safeguarding team. We have shared with students that we actively encourage them to speak to a trusted adult within the school if there is anything that they need support with, in or out of school.

Our safeguarding team is:



If, as a parent/carer, you have a concern about the safety or well-being of any of our students, please email reportaconcern@coleridgecc.org.uk to alert the safeguarding team directly.

We have signposted to students the support that is available to them if they feel that they need additional support outside of what we have on offer at school:

Kooth (an online, confidential 1:1 online chat therapy service) www.kooth.com
Centre 33 (support centre, available for drop ins and youth groups) www.centre33.org.uk
The Kite Trust (Local LGBTQ+ support group) www.thekitetrust.org.uk
Young Minds (mental health information and support) www.youngminds.org.uk

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Student absence reporting: 01223 712300 **Email:** col-attendance@coleridgecc.org.uk

Website: www.coleridgecc.org.uk

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