

27th March 2020

Dear Parent,

Further to the information made available yesterday, this letter is intended for parents of year 13 to provide additional guidance.

Our sixth form team remain available via Google Classroom and e-mail to support and offer advice to all students in year 13 should they wish to contact us. We are updating the Google Classroom for the year group, and have encouraged all students to follow on social media the Department for Education who continue to post updates:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education>

Students should also make sure that they have the correct contact details on their UCAS applications, and that they are regularly checking the homepage for their universities. The UCAS website also regularly updates with relevant news and advice and it is worth reminding you here that students have a deadline in early May for responding to their university offers. Those students who are not intending to go to university can continue to access support via www.careersinc.org and again we invite students to be in contact with us if we can help this process in any way.

Students in year 13 have been asked to continue to complete work set by their teachers. We hope that the activities prove stimulating and engaging and worthy of completion in their own right. Moreover we do know that students will have the chance to sit their exams – should they choose to – at the earliest reasonable opportunity. Students can continue to submit work to their teachers too and this could still have a positive impact on predicted grades. It is worth highlighting that over the last two years our school has a proven track record of strong results in year 13 and these results have been supported by the excellent reporting systems already in place to accurately predict likely outcomes for students. Whilst we do not know exactly how results will be calculated, we do know that teachers will be asked to submit their judgements about the grades that students would have achieved if exams had gone ahead. It hopefully goes without saying that our commitment to your child remains unwavering in every regard.

It has been a real honour to work closely with the year 13 students this year. The resilience and maturity of our students during this recent period of uncertainty has again reminded us how fortunate we are to work with some of the most outstanding young people in North Yorkshire and beyond. The prom committee is continuing to try to create a year book and/or a hoodie to mark the end of the students' time with us but there will be a delay with this for which we apologise. We also hope that you understand that we have postponed our year 13 prom until a later date to be confirmed. It will be a great occasion when we are able to gather the year group together again and we look forward to celebrating all their achievements with them at the earliest possible opportunity.

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Please remember should you need additional support to contact us using the form on the 'Contact Us' page on the academy website. However it might be useful for you to have the following email addresses should you need these over the next few weeks and months:

Miss Baggaley (Sixth Form Learning Manager) – l.baggaley@easingwold.outwood.com

Mrs Taylor (Vice Principal) - e.taylor@easingwold.outwood.com

Mr Garnham (Assistant Principal i/c sixth form) - t.garnham@easingwold.outwood.com

Yours faithfully

Mr T Garnham

Assistant Principal: Director of Sixth Form

REPLY SLIP – SIXTH FORM OFFER

NAME:

- 1) I would like to provisionally accept the offer of a place at Outwood Academy Easingwold Post 16 Centre and would like to study the following courses:

BLOCK A _____

BLOCK B _____

BLOCK C _____

BLOCK D _____

BLOCK E _____

- 2) I am not accepting the offer of a place at Outwood Academy Easingwold next year.

- 3) I would like a further discussion about sixth form at Outwood Academy Easingwold

Please ensure that your name is clearly on this reply slip.