



Mildenhall College
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Parents In The Know

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the February edition of 'Parents in the Know' a half termly e-newsletter giving top tips for parents and carers to support your child at **Mildenhall College Academy**.

Year 8 Options Process

On Thursday 9th February parents were invited into the academy to discuss the progress of their child. As part of this evening many students and parents discussed options for next year. There will be a dedicated options evening on **Tuesday 21st March** 6:00-8:30pm where you will be able to meet staff and discuss the requirements for each of the option subjects. This an important date in the calendar and attendance at this event for Year 8 parents is desirable. There will also be an academy Open Morning on **Thursday 16th March**. This will be an ideal opportunity to visit GCSE lessons and see how the academy is run on a daily basis.

Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 7th February was Safer Internet Day. As part of this event all students attended assemblies and completed work in their Skills for Life lessons about how to stay safe online. Below is some information for parents regarding the Facebook Parents Portal.

Important dates:

21st February

Students return from half term

27th February

Year 11 Mock exams begin

14th March

Year 9 Vaccinations
(meningitis and DTP)

16th March

Year 8 Parents' Open Morning
(To assist GCSE options) 10.45-12.40

21st March

Year 8 Options evening 6.00-8.30pm

27th March

Attitude to Learning breakfast

31st March

End of term

Did you know?

If students produce something 'Outstanding' within the academy then they will be awarded either an Academic or Pastoral commendation. Each commendation is worth 25p and can be exchanged once a term for vouchers.

Year 10 Students

Please note that the selection process for next year's Prefect Team will commence shortly. Students will be given information about how to apply for a Prefect position during an assembly after half term.

Facebook creates 'Parents Portal' to keep children safe

Social media giant Facebook has created a new advice portal that parents can use to increase the safety of their children online. More information is available via the following links:

www.independent.ie/business/technology/facebook-creates-new-portal-for-parents-with-top-tips-to-help-children-stay-safe-online-35294181.html

www.facebook.com/safety/parents



Year 11 Prom

The Year 11 prom will be on Friday 7th July. We are currently looking for entertainment for this event. If you know of any magicians, caricaturists or places to hire indoor games and equipment then please contact Mr Goodenough.

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(Assistant Principal & Editor of the *Parent Paper*)

Uniform

The academy continues to have high expectations with regards to uniform and we thanked students publically in assemblies for how smart they wear their academy uniform. Should a student have the incorrect uniform or has misplaced or forgotten an item of uniform they should report to the House Office upon their arrival to the academy.