



## Parent & Carer Weekly Newsletter Date: Friday 15th March 2024

### General Information and Reminders

#### Comic Relief Day

Thank you to everyone who has embraced the fun and games of our Red Nose Day and contributed in some way – from wearing something red, to buying a red nose, to entering (mainly awful) jokes to our ‘funny for money’ competition.

The response goes to show what a generous, warm-hearted and good-natured school community we have here at Glossopdale School and Sixth Form – and we’re very proud of that!

Well done to the School Council Leaders who organised many of today’s activities.





---

### **Key Stage 3**

#### **Y9 Options Evening**

This Wednesday saw the Theatre, Heart and Conservatory packed with Y9 students and their families for the Key Stage 4 Options evening. This is a key event in the process for choosing option courses for Year 10 and 11. Every subject was represented by staff who answered a myriad of questions relating to the courses on offer; the content, assessment and possible next steps each specific course could lead to. There were also presentations on how the process for choosing options works and what students and their families need to consider. Year 9 students now have until March 22nd to complete the option choices form which they can find on their Google Classroom.

#### **Y8 HPV Vaccinations Reminder**

These vaccinations will be taking place in school next Friday 22/03/24 for Y8 students. The link to consent has been sent out to Y8 parents. If you need the link please click here: <https://nhsimms.azurewebsites.net/session/7e3eaaa3>  
**Please note that the deadline to consent is by Tuesday 19/03/24.** If you need any more information the HPV vaccination leaflet on our website: [here](#)

---

### **Key Stage 4**

#### **Year 11 Parent Information Evening: Exams**

On Wednesday 20th March we are hosting our information evening for the parents / carers of children in Y11. It's not too late to secure your place, please complete this [form](#). During the session we will provide details about the JCQ exam regulations, our exam routines and subject specific advice on revision and preparation for GCSE. The session starts at 6pm in the Theatre.

#### **GCSEs**

The external GCSE exams start on Friday 10th May, with Biology, that's in only 27 school days! We will continue to provide all students with advice and guidance on revision strategies and effective study techniques. The assemblies and personal development programme will continue to address issues such as motivation, organisation and subject specific revision. Each week parents /carers of students in Y11 will receive a copy of our Y11 newsletter with information and advice on supporting your child in the run up to their GCSEs. The first newsletter can be found here [📄 Year 11 Parent newsletter.pdf](#)

There are a number of vocational assessments that will also take place over the next few terms, students on dance will complete their assessments during lessons on Monday 18th March, and and .

#### **Easter Holiday revision Y11**

There will be a number of revision sessions taking place in school over the Easter break, a timetable with exact details will be shared with all Y11 students and parents / carers. Your child should also spend time over the Easter break studying and revising for their GCSEs. Support and encourage them by providing a quiet space in which to study, help them to organise their study sessions and provide 'rewards' and recognition when they have committed to effective study.



## Y11 hoodies

Students in Year 11 can now order their leavers hoody via this [link](#).

Please place your order and pay online, we'll then arrange for the hoodies to be delivered to school and handed to the students during their last assembly in Y11.

---

## Dates for your diary

### Monday 18th March

(Previously advertised as Tuesday 19th March)	In School performance of An Inspector calls for Y10/11
Wednesday 20th March	Y11 Parents Information Evening (exams)
Thursday 21st March	Y9 THRIVE Day
Friday 22nd March	Y8 HPV Vaccinations
Tuesday 26th March	Wonders of our Universe
Wednesday 28th March	Wonders of our Universe   Last day of term
Thursday 28th March	INSET Day school closed to students
Tuesday 16th April	School opens to students, start of term
Wednesday 17th April	Y7 THRIVE Day
Thursday 18th April	Y10 Parents Evening
Thursday 25th April	Sixth Form Parents Evening

Thank you for taking the time to read the newsletter.

Best wishes from all at Glossopdale School and Sixth Form