



# YEAR 10 BULLETIN

Friday 13th February 2026

## Building up to the transition into Year 11

Year 10 are now firmly in the build-up to their transition into Year 11. By the end of this academic year, they will have formally transitioned and will sit their first full round of Pre-Public Examinations (PPEs) in every subject. The habits, routines and standards established now will directly shape how confidently and successfully they move into their final GCSE year.

As outlined in the recent letter, this is why we have restructured the leadership of Year 10 to closely reflect the successful structure we use in Year 11. This means a clear academic focus alongside strong pastoral support. Our ambition for this cohort is very high and Year 10 is a critical time for building the habits that lead to GCSE success.

Students have now covered a significant proportion of GCSE content in their lessons. The routines they continue to develop now - 100% attendance, strong engagement in lessons and completing homework to a high standard - make a significant difference as students prepare for Spring Assessments and examinations.

Your support at home is vital and we thank you for your continued support in ensuring homework routines, high expectations and positive conversations about attendance, effort and responsibility.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

**Miss S Coupland – Assistant Headteacher, Student Outcomes**

**Mr S West – Pastoral Lead for Year 10**

**Mr R Shah – Academic Lead for Year 10**

## February half term homework

A reminder that at Key Stage 4: homework is an essential part of revision. All February half term homework has been designed to consolidate GCSE content already taught and prepare students for their upcoming Spring Assessments, which form part of the build-up to their first full round of Pre-Public Examinations at the end of the year.

It is important that this revision is completed properly and in full. You can find the list of February Half Term homework for Year 10 [HERE](#).

## Daily revision opportunities

- **Breakfast revision** led by Miss Coupland. 8.00am to 8.25am in the canteen.
- **Working lunch** – In the SSC every day from 1.00pm to 1.30pm.
- **Champions' Hour** – In the SSC every day from 3.40pm to 4.40pm.

## Shout outs!

Every day at lunch time line-up, we celebrate the Year 10 students who have been nominated by their subject teachers for brilliantly demonstrating one of our school values. Here are some highlights:

- Hayden G (Computer Science) – nominated by Ms King for Drive: achieved Star of the Week in Computer Science revision.
- Volkan G (Computer Science) – nominated by Ms King for Drive: achieved Star of the Week.
- Mason (English) – nominated by Mr Borg for Excellence: excellent quote recollection.
- Princess S, Regan B, Stephen, Clayton, Taiyon S (English) – nominated by Mr Borg for Excellence: excellent work and focus.
- Kyanna, Shanai (English) – nominated by Mr Douglas for Excellence: full marks on the Christmas Carol quote quiz.
- Taiyon S, Sean W (Biology) – nominated by Miss Friday for Drive: demonstrated perseverance when working through challenging percentile growth curve questions.
- Matthew A, Ibrahim K, Sean W, Tommy M (Biology) – nominated by Miss Friday for Drive: fantastic attitude to learning.
- Ibrahim K, Josiane, Dylan (Chemistry) – nominated by Miss Gazideja for Drive: excellent cross diagrams and written explanations of ionic bonding.
- Jessica B, Emmanuel I (Chemistry) – nominated by Miss Gazideja for Drive: outstanding work in independent tasks.
- Vira S (Geography) - nominated by Miss Coupland for Drive: completing a past paper as part of independent revision.
- Samson B, Tom W (Maths) – nominated by Mr Mathys for Drive: working at pace and accurately on exam-style questions.
- Tem B, Sanchez S, Ola M, J'Annaiyah H (Maths) – nominated by Ms Devane for Excellence: solved multi-step problems.
- Aiden A, Albert B, Pacha D, Jayden F, Shaun G, Leo H, Ibrahim K, Damishan L, Tommy M, Taiyon S, Ralph S, Aderiyike Y (Maths) – nominated by Mr Busuttill for Excellence: outstanding effort.



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## Intermediate Maths Challenge

Well done to all Year 10 students who took part in the Intermediate Maths Challenge – a nationally recognised competition that stretches students beyond the GCSE curriculum and rewards problem-solving and perseverance.

A special congratulations to those who achieved certificates:

### Gold

- Alfie C

### Silver

- Keyanna A
- Hayden G
- Tom W
- Finley W

### Bronze

- Ata E
- Shamgar M
- Jia P
- Joseph P
- Maurice V
- Kayla V

This is a fantastic achievement and reflects strong mathematical reasoning. Thank you to Ms Devane for arranging this opportunity for our students and supporting them in taking part in such a prestigious national competition.

## Zero heroes

This week we were delighted to celebrate our Year 10 Zero Heroes - students who have achieved zero behaviour points this academic year.

This is a remarkable achievement and reflects consistent positive choices and maturity. We celebrated with a hot chocolate and croissant breakfast to recognise their commitment to high standards.

Well done to:

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| • Rohat B    | • Ellis G    | • Tyler M   | • Sade S      |
| • Lena B     | • Volkan G   | • Tommy M   | • Vira S      |
| • Tem B      | • Jermaine G | • Amara O   | • Leah T      |
| • Regan B    | • Raphael G  | • Steph O   | • Ruby T      |
| • Albert B   | • Amalie J   | • Jia P     | • Tom W       |
| • Archie B   | • Ibrahim K  | • Harley P  | • Aderiyike Y |
| • Aleena B   | • Ruby L     | • Falisha R |               |
| • Alfie C    | • Jayden M   | • Daniel R  |               |
| • Beatrice E | • Shamgar M  | • Sehar S   |               |

We are incredibly proud of you all.

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

DAYS OFF  
COST GOOD  
GRADES

Research suggests that each **17 days missed from school** your GCSE results will go down **ONE GRADE!**

## More shout outs!

- Maurice V, Alfie C (Health & Fitness) – nominated by Ms Hansford for Excellence: scoring 100% in homework.
- Anna M (Spanish) – nominated by Ms Goulbourne for Excellence: excellent effort and engagement
- Leila W (Spanish) – nominated by Ms Goulbourne for Drive: continued hard work and effort.

## Working Lunch Superstars

We have been so pleased to see many Year 10 students continuing to make the most of every opportunity available to them to succeed at GCSE, including attending Working Lunch sessions on Monday to Wednesday every week. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to get ahead with homework and revise in a silent, supervised space with access to computers.

Top 10 attendees this half term:

- Noor S
- Leila W
- Steph O
- Jessica B
- Sehar S
- Falisha R
- Amalie J
- Emeka O
- Joseph P
- Ibrahim K

We encourage all Year 10 students to take advantage of these sessions and form the habit of attending at least once a week as they move through Year 10 and into Year 11 – small, consistent efforts make a big difference.

## Sparx Superstars

A huge well done to our Sparx Maths Superstars this half term.

- Jayden F
- Tem B
- Daisy R
- Aparna S

A huge well done to these students for their consistent commitment to completing their maths homework to a high standard.