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Year 13 Progress Check 1 Letter

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s)

I hope you and your families are well and have a lovely October half term to look forward to. I would like to start by thanking you for the support you have provided your child whilst revising and preparing for the 13.1 in class assessments and to thank you for your continued support as we move towards November mock exams. I understand that this is a stressful time, so do please speak to your child's mentor or the College team if you, or your child, have any questions.

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with an overview of key information relating to year 13.

Please see the guide attached for a more detailed explanation of the data.

Year 13 Predicted Grades

In preparation for your child's first year 13 report, please be aware that class teachers will provide an indication of your child's attitude to learning, home learning, and their predicted grade. Please note that the predicted grades have been generated based on the most recent evidence available: year 12 mock assessments, 13.1 in class assessments and NEA (non-examined assessment) where subjects have coursework. These assessments have gone through a rigorous moderation process within departments.

Their predicted grades may go up or down throughout the year but should give your child an indication of their potential results. They are not to be confused with UCAS grades which are slightly more aspirational.

Year 13 Mock Preparation

November mock period: 25th November – 5th December (Please see the year 13 mock timetable)

At this stage, learning, revision and maximum engagement remains a priority for all of our students. It is important that students take every opportunity offered by departments to help them improve. Attendance, effective use of study periods and home learning (a minimum of 16hrs per week), a structured revision timetable, and extended study are key to your child's success. Additionally, students should act on the feedback given and ensure they

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continue to revise in preparation for the forthcoming mock exams – an opportunity to raise their predicted grades.

Students should speak to their mentor or subject teachers about any concerns they may have moving forward, and we will continue to support your child through the final stage of their school journey. They should have comprehensive revision lists and have been explicitly taught how to revise in their individual subjects – and revision begins now!

Key dates

November mock exams begin: 25th November until 6th December

Year 13 parents' evening: 16th January March mocks: 10th March until 21st March Examination period: 12th May – 24th June Leavers' celebration: to be confirmed

College Ball: 5th July (further communication to follow shortly)

Thank you for the continued support you give your child and Toot Hill 6th Form College. We are very pleased to see that the majority of our year 13 students are beginning to work exceptionally hard and are showing deep commitment to their studies. Their resilience and determination as they 'dare to know' is inspiring.

Yours faithfully,

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Head of College