



13th January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Students have enjoyed a positive return this term – school has been calm and settled, with purposeful learning taking place in lessons. Our focus in school for this term is on ‘behaviour for learning’, and I need your help in this to make sure all young people at Pakefield can perform at their best.

Behaviour for Learning

We will be spending some time over the next few weeks improving behaviours in lessons that are necessary for young people to learn effectively. Students that develop these become more motivated and determined to succeed, and there are some simple things we can do together to achieve this.

Being well prepared is important. Students must attend school each day with their basic equipment – a pen, pencil and ruler as a minimum. Students should also have a school bag – we will be encouraging students to take their exercise books home with them to read over notes from lessons to consolidate their learning.

In lessons, concentration is key. We will be talking to students in assemblies about how they can improve their engagement in learning, and the importance of tracking the teacher when they are talking to demonstrate their focus.

These may seem like simple steps – but when effective behaviours for learning are combined they make a big difference.

Dates for your Diary

We have our Year 11 mock results event next Monday, 16th January from 4pm in the main hall. Please make sure you attend so we can work together to make the most of the remaining time we have.

We also have a year group photo for Year 11s on Tuesday.

Finally, the information event for those going on the Berlin trip is on Wednesday at 5pm.

With best wishes for the weekend,

Mr Dan Bagshaw
Head of School