

5th May 2023

Dear Parents, Carers & Students,

We have had an exciting and eventful few weeks here at school, and we would like to share some updates and important dates with you. Please do read the entirety of the email as there are important events all next week which are summarised in the table below:

| Date | Event | Students involved: |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Tuesday 9th May 2023 | Y11 Celebration Evening | Y11 |
| Wednesday 10th May 2023 | Cultural Day | Y11, Y12 & Y13 |
| | Asian Celebration Evening | Sixth Form |
| Thursday 11th May 2023 | Ofsted Celebration | Y11 & Y13 |
| Friday 12th May 2023 | Last day celebrations | Y11 & Y13 |

Year 11 Celebration Evening

We are excited to host our **Year 11 Celebration Evening on Tuesday 9th May**. This event is designed to recognise and celebrate the achievements and journey of our Year 11 students. I look forward to seeing our Y11 parents and students on Tuesday evening!

Year 11 and 13 Final Day

Friday 12th May will be the final day for our Year 11 and 13 students. As they approach the end of their timetabled lessons before study leave, we wish them the best of luck in their upcoming public examinations. We are confident that they will excel and continue to make us proud as they embark on the next chapter of their journeys.

Ofsted Success - Y11/Y13 Celebration

Following our recent Ofsted Inspection, we want to celebrate our community and the central role that our students play. We will be holding Student Celebration events throughout the summer term for each year group to acknowledge and celebrate our best ambassadors - our students.

Year 11 and 13 will have their event together at lunchtime on Thursday 11th May, in the main school hall. **Years 7-10 and 12 will have their event on Tuesday 16th May** in Bytes - further details to follow. Students should note that **Krispy Kreme doughnuts** will be available (vegan options too!) as part of the celebration.

Year 11, 12 and 13 Cultural Day - Wednesday 10th May

Our Cultural Day is an opportunity for Years 11, 12 and 13 to celebrate and share the diversity that exists within our community. Students are invited to wear clothing that represents and reflects their culture. As part of the day, we will have a cultural celebration event at lunchtime where students can sign up to showcase their cultural dress. Learning Managers will provide more information on the relevant hubs. We are looking forward to celebrating with our Year 11, 12 and 13 students and seeing them in their beautiful outfits.

Asian Celebration Evening

On the **10th of May 2023, we are hosting our first 'Asian Celebration Evening'** for Sixth Formers where we celebrate many Asian cultures prevalent in our school community. This will be hosted in Townley Grammar School from 6pm to 8pm

and is in partnership with Beths Grammar School. We have secured sponsorship for the event from Yog Foundation, a local community group and are very excited about this partnership.

At the event, we are planning to have an exhibition and a fair where students would lead activities and spread awareness of their culture and traditions. There will be a selection of tasty food from all corners of the Asian continent.

We are going to be experiencing live performances by our Indonesian visitors as well as students within our school communities to bring light to the amazing talents we have within the Asian community at Beths and Townley.

Any money raised on the night will be donated to 'TÜRKİYE AND SYRIA EARTHQUAKES APPEAL' by UNICEF, a charity which aims to give mobilised supplies and services to support the urgent needs of children and families affected by the earthquakes.

Bank Holiday - Monday 8th May

Please be reminded that Monday 8th May is a Bank Holiday in celebration of the coronation of King Charles III. Townley will be closed on this day, and we hope you enjoy this special occasion with your family and friends. We are celebrating the occasion with an interactive display in our reception.

Internal Examinations

Congratulations to our Year 10 and 12 students for completing their internal examinations over the past three weeks. Their dedication and hard work have been truly commendable. As a reminder, the internal examination papers will be marked and returned *after* the dates below:

Year 10 - Wednesday 10th May 2023

Year 12 - Monday 22nd May 2023

Community Awareness

With ongoing internal exams taking place and upcoming external exams, it is important for parents/carers and students to understand that the Bexleyheath Broadway area will be busier during the day with a range of young people from schools and colleges.

It is important that our students ensure they remain vigilant in the area at all times, report any negative behaviour by other young people/members of the community to any member of Townley staff and if in urgent cases or should a student feel unsafe, they ring 999.

Alongside this, we expect Townley students to behave in an exemplary manner outside of school, on public transport and in public areas.

Parents/Carers visiting the school site

Please can parents and carers ensure they contact staff directly to arrange any in person meetings prior to arriving on the school site. Our school reception area can be a very busy space, and in the interest of safeguarding and security, we ask that parents (unless completely unavoidable) do not arrive impromptu asking to see staff.

Once again, congratulations to our Year 10 and 12 students for completing their internal examinations, and our best wishes go out to our Year 11 and 13 students as they prepare for their public examinations. I am looking forward to celebrating our success and our student community next week - which as you can read above - is full of exciting events!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully,

Nevita Pandya
Headteacher