

News from school...

This week's performance of Legally Blonde the musical was amazing, the singing and acting was really impressive, and all done in American accents! Behind the scenes an enormous amount of work, from students and staff, goes into making these productions successful. A huge thank you to all of the staff and students involved in putting the show together, you should be very proud of what you have done.

We're looking forward to...

Tuesday 3rd December is our "Class of 2024" celebration event for last year's leavers. I always enjoy catching up with former students and hearing how they are getting on in the next stage of their education. Ultimately, getting people into a position to move on successfully to the next stage in their lives is why we do what we do.

Making school work...

The report of our recent Ofsted inspection has now been published, confirming our grades as 'good' in all areas. This inspection took place under a different Ofsted framework to the previous inspection with judgements made against different criteria and a very different style of report. If you would like to read the report, a copy can be found on the Ofsted website [here](#).

A reminder that we have an inset day on **Monday 2nd December**, school will be closed to all students.

As we approach winter, please find attached to this update a letter detailing our arrangements for severe weather. Please take a couple of minutes to read through the arrangements and think about your contingency plans should school be affected by severe weather.

Dates for your diary...

- Wednesday 27th November GCSE music showcase
- Monday 2nd December INSET day (school closed to students)
- Tuesday 3rd December GCSE presentation evening
- Thursday 5th December Christmas shopping night
- Tuesday 10th December Carol concert
- Friday 20th December School closes for Christmas – 2.05pm
- Tuesday 7th January 2025 School reopens for the spring term

- **Exams**
- Monday 18th - Friday 29th November Year 11 GCSE mock exams
- Thursday 5th – Friday 6th December Year 11 GCSE mock art exams
- Monday 16th- Tuesday 17th December Year 11 GCSE mock textiles exams

You can find information about our Clubs and Activities on our website [here](#).

Best wishes,

Simon Grieves,
Headteacher