



5 November 2021

Dear Student, Parents and Carers,

## **READING WEEK (8-12 November)**

Just a quick reminder that all students will be on study leave next week. This means normal timetable is suspended in order to facilitate 1:1s with students, run our Open Events and complete some staff INSET. All students have been set independent study work and are completing progress reviews in each subject, which will be published to parents/carers on Wednesday 17 November.

First year (A1) students have 1:1 online appointments (via Microsoft Teams) with their teachers on Tuesday and Friday, to review their progress. Many of our second years are also currently finalising their UCAS applications and the priority deadline is set at the end of Reading Week, so do please encourage A2 students to book appointments with their personal tutor to confirm personal statements and references, and to submit their UCAS form. The library will remain open during normal hours but will be closed from 2pm on Wednesday 10 and Thursday 11 November due to our Open Event.

Further information about Progress Reviews is available from the Parents and Carers' section of our website, [here](#); and advice and guidance to help parents and carers support with UCAS applications is [here](#).

Please note that the Maths GCSE re-sit is still going ahead on the morning of Monday 8 November.

## **PARENTS' EVENINGS**

For second year (A2) students we have Parents and Carers' Evenings from Thursday 25 November and Wednesday 1 December; and first year (A1) students have Parents and Carers' Evenings on Thursday 13 January and Wednesday 19 January. Full details and booking instructions will be sent nearer the time.

## **WELLBEING**

As part of the ongoing support to students, parents and carers offered by [Action Your Potential](#), we want to draw your attention to some webinars coming up this month. These webinars are part of a series throughout the year for students taking GCSEs, A Levels or BTEC exams this year. Preparing for exams is like training for a marathon, best done each day following a carefully constructed training plan. To prepare our brains properly we need to change our daily behaviours ahead of the exams, giving our brains time to adapt. To sign up to the parent and carer webinars, click on the link below.

### **Unleashing Learning Webinars in Term 2**

#### **Wed 24 Nov 8 – 8:45pm:**

Surviving and Thriving In Your Exam Year (1): Self-Directed Study

#### **Thu 25 Nov 8 – 8:45pm:**

Surviving and Thriving In Your Exam Year (2) Managing Mood, Motivation & Stress

[To sign up click here](#)

BHASVIC parents, carers and students can also access all the content we're making for them via the #NeuroNinja Learning Hub, just [click on this link](#). AYP takes your privacy extremely seriously and will only ever e-mail you to let you know about these webinars. Here is [their GDPR policy](#).

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### **IMPORTANT EXAM INFORMATION**

Our Examination Office have asked to make you aware of the following: Exam Boards have set a 'contingency' provisional date of Wednesday 29 June for Summer 2022. All students must be available to sit an exam on that day in case of a major event. **Please do not book a holiday prior to this date.** For further information, please check the Exams Summer 2022 section in [FAQs \(bhasvic.ac.uk\)](https://www.bhasvic.ac.uk/FAQs). If you have any particular questions or concerns about this or any other examination matter, please contact [exams@bhasvic.ac.uk](mailto:exams@bhasvic.ac.uk).

### **COP26 BHASVIC CARBON LITERACY QUALIFICATION**

As COP26 has got underway this week we thought you might be interested to learn that BHASVIC is one of the first colleges to offer a Carbon Literacy qualification, in partnership with the [The Carbon Literacy Project](https://www.carbonliteracyproject.org/). We are proud that two hundred students have already completed the qualification and the next wave of students are signing up now! Students have been given the Microsoft Teams code to join through tutorial this week.

### **BONFIRE NIGHT**

We hope you enjoy bonfire night safely. If students are affected by travel restrictions which come into force around Lewes and the local area, they have been asked to speak to their teachers and have permission to leave early this afternoon to ensure safe travel home, but we do ask that parents and carers e-mail [studentabsence@bhasvic.ac.uk](mailto:studentabsence@bhasvic.ac.uk), giving the full name of the student and year group, to ensure this is properly authorised by our attendance team.

With best wishes,



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Principal