

## WEEKLY PARENT & CARER BULLETIN 13 OCTOBER TO 17 OCTOBER 2025

### **KEY DATES FOR THE TERM AHEAD**

Events	Dates
Sixth Form Open Evening (5.00-7.00pm)	16 Oct
Year 7 Music Concert (5.00-5.45pm)	22 Oct
School's 95th Birthday Celebration	23 Oct
School Closed	23 Oct
HALF TERM BREAK	24 Oct-31 Oct

#### 1. SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING - THURSDAY 16 OCTOBER

We invite you to attend our Sixth Form Open Evening at Drayton Manor High School on Thursday 16 October. The evening will commence at 5.00pm and you will have the opportunity to listen to the Head's talk in the Hall at 5.30pm. In addition, the Head of Sixth Form and current students will outline the opportunities that are available in our Sixth Form and explain the admissions process. Information will also be provided on courses and extra-curricular activities. You will be able to discuss individual courses in detail with subject staff. The evening will end at 7.00pm.

We look forward to seeing you and your child at this important time in their life. May we also remind you that students will not be admitted to the evening unless they are accompanied by their parent or carer and are in full school uniform.

Please note that this is a ticketed event which must be booked by completing this online form: <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/rWbF2JXQi1">https://forms.office.com/e/rWbF2JXQi1</a>

Please bing valid photo ID in case it is required.

Admissions applications will open after the evening has finished. All details can be found here: <u>APPLICATION PROCESS AND COURSE GUIDE</u> (draytonmanorhighschool.co.uk)

## 2. SUPPORTING STUDENT LEADERSHIP

## **Key Events:**

**Tuesday 14th October, Extended Tutor Time:** Election of House Captains (KS3) and Deputy Heads of Houses (KS4) and Tutor Representatives

**Thursday 16th October, 6pm:** Deadline for students to apply for the following roles via Microsoft Forms on SatchelOne:

- Wellbeing Ambassador
- Student Librarian



### • Student Communications Team

Student Learning Leads for Years 7 and 12, appointed by tutors using a person specification.

There will be more leadership opportunities in the coming weeks.

Please take time to review the Student Leadership PowerPoint on SatchelOne and encourage your child to apply for a role that suits their strengths and interests.

## 3. YOUNG PROFESSIONALS PARENTS & GUARDIANS INFORMATION EVENING - THURSDAY 16 OCTOBER

We are excited to invite you to an exclusive online Parent/Guardian event designed to provide valuable insights into how you can support your child in making informed career choices when they leave school/university.

This event will provide you with an in-depth understanding of the career and work experience prospects for your child in sectors such as Finance, Data, Technology, Law, Engineering, and different Corporate Functions.

The whole session will be led by the direct hiring managers at these global firms, so you'll learn from the very best on how to support your child as they transition from education to the professional world with leading brands.

This event will touch upon applying to corporate roles and the application process, commercial awareness and how young people can develop these skills as well as highlighting degree apprenticeships, what they are and key deadlines to make applications.

There will also be breakout room sessions with sector-specific panels and workshops that you and your child can participate in throughout the evening. Please note that to join the breakout rooms, you will need the Zoom app on your laptops or phones.

#### **Event Details:**

**Date:** Thursday 16 October **Time:** 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Location: Zoom

## Sign up here to secure your place:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Childs Future 25

#### 4. YEAR 7 MUSIC CONCERT – WEDNESDAY 22 OCTOBER

We're excited to invite you to the Year 7 Music Concert on Wednesday 22 October at 5pm in the School Hall. This event is for parents/carers of year 7 students.



This event celebrates the musical achievements of our Year 7 students and promises to be a fantastic evening of performances.

Doors open at 16:30.

Click here to book your tickets

All proceeds support future opportunities in the Music Department, however we would never wish for finances to be a barrier to attendance! For assistance, please contact Mr Moffat at <a href="mailto:adminoffice@draytonmanorhighschool.co.uk">adminoffice@draytonmanorhighschool.co.uk</a>.

We look forward to welcoming you!

### 5. GAMES LESSONS

Please click the <u>link</u> to view information regarding the venues for Games lessons this half term. This will help ensure your child is prepared for their lessons.

# 6. FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS: WINTER COATS AND JUMPERS What type of coat is allowed as part of the uniform?

Students are required to wear plain black coats without any logos. Kindly note that we do not encourage parents to purchase expensive coats—affordable options can be found at popular retail stores such as Primark, Tesco (F&F), and ASDA (George).

## What colour jumper should my child wear with their blazer?

Students must wear a navy-blue jumper with their blazer. Please note that the PE jumper is not to be worn with the full school uniform. For more details, please visit our website <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>.

## 7. PARENT SUPPORT CLINICS (BY APPOINTMENT)

We are pleased to introduce Support Clinics for parents and carers of students at Drayton Manor High School.

These sessions are an opportunity for you to share any challenges or worries you might have, and to talk directly with Ms Hynes (Family Engagement Officer).

These sessions offer an opportunity to cover a wide range of topics, from attendance, medical needs, wellbeing and friendships, to behaviour and safeguarding. The meetings give you the opportunity to access additional support services for you, your child or family both within the school and beyond.

#### Dates:

Friday 17 October 4.00-6.00pm

Format: You can choose either in-person at school or online



To help us plan, parents must sign up in advance via Microsoft Forms: <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/ia5S6SH3PJ">https://forms.office.com/e/ia5S6SH3PJ</a>

Appointments will last up to 20 minutes.

We hope these sessions provide a supportive space to talk through any challenges you might have and strengthen our partnership in supporting you and your child.