



**WEEKLY PARENT & CARER BULLETIN
2 MARCH TO 6 MARCH 2026**

KEY DATES FOR THE TERM AHEAD

Events	Dates
Careers Day	3Mar
Year 12 Senior Physics Challenge	6 Mar
Year 9 Options Evening (5.00-7.00pm)	10 Mar
Year 11 Geography Field Trip	11 Mar
Year 9 Parents Evening (4.30-7.00pm)	12 Mar
Year 11 Geography Field Trip	12 Mar
Year 10 work Experience Week	16 Mar
School Production (6-7.30pm)	18 Mar
A Level trip to Geneva	19-20 Mar
Year 11 Mock Results Assembly	23 Mar
DTP/Meningitis Vaccine am	24 Mar
UCAS Discovery Day – Excel Centre	24 Mar
Year 10 Parents Evening (4.30-7.00PM)	26 Mar
Year 9 GCSE Options Deadline	26 Mar
END OF TERM	30 Mar-10 Apr

1. STUDENT SAFETY IN THE COMMUNITY

We are aware of an online trend circulating nationally on social media, in which an anonymous individual encourages young people to categorise schools into ‘red’ or ‘blue’ groups to provoke conflict outside of school. This content is not organised by any school, and while most students and families are entirely unaware of it, we understand that some parents may feel concerned.

We want to reassure you that student safety in the community remains our highest priority, and we continue to take a calm, measured and proactive approach on a daily basis. We do not wish to amplify or validate online material that has no connection to our school however, we recognise the importance of keeping families informed and our students safe. We do this every day and have substantial and significant safety measures which we proactively deploy on a daily basis, which are undertaken rigorously to reassure our students and their families and to ensure the safety of all.

Our existing measures

- Every morning and afternoon, members of the Senior Leadership Team and staff are present in the local area to support students on their journeys. The school has an extensive duty team on patrol.
- The Senior Team also conduct driving patrols into the wider community, ensuring visibility and reassurance on a wider scale.

- Students are always expected to go straight home after school and not gather in shops or local public spaces. They are not permitted to loiter in parks or other settings and must not arrange to meet students from other schools, outside school or on their way home
- Our Parents and students are consistently excellent at informing us of any concerns they may have. Whenever an issue is raised, the senior team immediately increases patrols in that area
- We continue to work closely with local policing teams, as we have always done, when appropriate and as issues arise.

To further reassure Parents and students during the time that this trend continues to circulate, we will increase our presence in the local community at the end of the school day, review any offsite activities taking place and take any additional measures to reassure the safety and wellbeing of as necessary.

How Parents and Carers can support

We kindly ask all Parents and Carers to ensure that students continue to go straight home after school as requested and do not stop at shops, parks or other social spaces on their journey. Your support with this routine expectation helps us maintain a safe, calm and predictable end to the school day for all students.

Students are not permitted to meet students from other schools on their way home from school or at the school gate or any outsider. The school has strict rules with regards to this which are regularly communicated. We ask Parents and Carers to continue to support this expectation for the safety and reassurance of all.

Student behaviour and expectations

We regularly remind students that they are representing the school on their journey to and from home and we often receive praise from members of the public regarding the conduct of our students in the wider community. Any involvement in unsafe behaviour or misconduct outside school is always taken very seriously and addressed in line with our Behaviour Policy.

Thank you

Thank you to all our families for your ongoing support with students and the wider community.

As always, our priority is ensuring that all students feel safe, supported and confident in the community.

2. SCHOOL PRODUCTION 2026 - WEDNESDAY 18 MARCH

Our school production, Dare to Dream, will take place on Wednesday 18 March at 6:00pm. We encourage all families to save the date and join us for what promises to



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be a wonderful showcase of our students' creativity and talent. Tickets are now available here: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/booking/t-oeekjk>

DRAYTON MANOR HIGH SCHOOL
presents
Disney
DARE TO DREAM JR.
A DISNEY MUSICAL REVUE
MARCH 18

WORKSHOP AND ENSEMBLE REHEARSAL:
Monday 12 January
3.30-5pm
Drama Studio

Sign up to audition in the Music Office or on Satchel One
Parental permission required

AUDITION SONGS:

- Friend Like Me
- Out There
- Surface Pressure (Show your acting skills through the song!)

Successful students will be expected to attend regular rehearsals on Mondays & Tuesdays after school across the Spring Term

There will also be additional half term and weekend rehearsals in the run up to the performance.

3. PARENT GOVERNOR UPDATE

The school has recently run an election for Parent Governor. Thank you to all parents and carers for voting. We would like to congratulate the following people who will be joining the Governing Board:

- Mr N. Qamar, Parent Governor (elected)
- Mr A Weaver, Co-opted Governor

4. YEAR 9 CAREERS DAY - 3 MARCH

We are looking for parent and carer volunteers to speak at our Year 9 Careers Day on 3 March, where students will learn about a range of careers as they begin thinking about their future pathways. If you are able to share your professional experience or insights from your industry, we would greatly appreciate your support. If you are interested in volunteering, please email: careers@draytonmanorhighschool.co.uk.



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5. IFTAR

As Ramadan begins, we understand that this period can bring unique challenges for families, especially considering the current cost of living crisis. We want to ensure that all children, including those entitled to free school meals, have access to nutritious meals. We are pleased to announce from this week until Wednesday 18 March, the school and our catering providers, Culinera will be offering Iftar boxes. These boxes can be ordered conveniently using the QR code provided on the poster that is attached with this email. Each day, your child can collect a nutritious meal from the kitchen to take home and enjoy. We're also extending this option to non-free school meal children for £2.85 per box. Should you need any further information please contact adminOffice@draytonmanorhighschool.co.uk

Are you fasting for
RAMADAN?

RESERVE YOUR IFTAR BOX NOW!

Available from
Monday 23rd February to
Wednesday 18th March

Your kitchen team are producing delicious
food boxes, ready to be collected each day
and taken home, ready for Iftar.

£3.00 EACH
OR FREE IF YOU QUALIFY
FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS.

Scan QR code to learn more
and reserve now!

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6. WECL COMMUNITY PARTY - SATURDAY 25TH APRIL



The West Ealing library are hosting a party in the square outside WECL (opposite Sainsburys) in West Ealing. There will be a stage and sound system with the aim showcasing local talent. Do you know any young bands, musicians, story tellers or poets who would like to perform? Please do feel free to get them to contact friends@wecl.org.uk to find out more.

7. WEST EALING COMMUNITY LIBRARY VOLUNTEERING OPTIONS:

- Directors / trustees wanted - WECL is managed by the West Ealing Community CIC. They are looking for new board members, particularly those that have substantial IT and commutations experience.
- They are also looking for volunteers to keep the library open in the evenings during the May / June exam period. We know many children struggle to find quiet, free and safe places to study during this period. With sufficient helpers, they would like to offer WECL during this time. Volunteers would only need to offer one 2-hour session per week. If you would be interested in either of the available two options, please reach out to Catherine at friends@wecl.org.uk or Ms Hynes (Family Engagement Officer) at Drayton Manor High school.

8. REQUEST FOR BOARD GAME DONATIONS

We would be very grateful for any donations of unwanted board games or card games which can be used at lunchtime and after school during our student clubs. Thank you in advance for any donations you can make!

9. VENUES FOR GAMES LESSONS - SPRING TERM 2026

Please [click here](#) to see the following information for the venues for Games lessons this term.

10. PARENT SUPPORT CLINICS (BY APPOINTMENT)

We are pleased to be running Parent Drop-In Clinics again 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, safeguarding giving you the opportunity to access additional support services for you, your child or family both within the school and beyond.

Dates:

- Friday 6 March
- Thursday 12 March
- Monday 16 March
- Friday 20 March
- Wednesday 25 March

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

To help us plan, parents must sign up in advance via Microsoft

Forms: [Parent Support Clinics \(Spring Term\) – Fill in form](#)

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.

11. HOMEWORK CLUB

We are holding a Homework Club to give students a supportive and calm space to complete their work. Join us in the library from 3:30pm to 4:15pm, where you'll have access to laptops and staff on hand to help. The club runs every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday starting from 24 February, and is a great opportunity to stay organised and get your homework done with confidence.



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Homework Club

3:30pm – 4:15pm
VENUE: LIBRARY
DATES:
-STARTS TUESDAY 24 FEBRUARY
-ON EVERY TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY
FACILITIES INCLUDE:
-ACCESS TO LAPTOPS
-STAFF ON HAND TO SUPPORT

