

**WEEKLY PARENT & CARER BULLETIN  
23 MARCH TO 27 MARCH 2026**

**KEY DATES FOR THE TERM AHEAD**

Events	Dates
Year 11 Mock Results Assembly	23 Mar
Year 9 DTP/Meningitis Vaccine	24 Mar
Year 12 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 -10 Apr

**1. YEAR 9 DTP/MENINGITIS VACCINE – TUESDAY 24 MARCH**

As you may have seen in the news recently, there has been increased attention on meningitis and the importance of routine vaccinations. The MenACWY vaccine, which protects against four strains of meningitis is routinely offered to students in Year 9 through the school-based immunisation programme.

Most Year 9 students received their MenACWY vaccination in January, but a second session will take place on Tuesday 24 March.

If your child has not yet received the MenACWY vaccine, a consent form can be completed using the link below:

<https://www.schoolvaccination.uk/consent-forms-dtp>

**2. YEAR 10 PARENTS EVENING – THURSDAY 26 MARCH**

Year 10 Parents' Evening is taking place on Thursday 26 March from 4.30-7.00pm. We will be using the online appointment booking system called [School Cloud](#) to conduct these appointments. This evening will provide an important opportunity to discuss your child's progress across their GCSE subjects, including how they are currently performing and what they need to focus on as they move towards Year 11.

If you would like further information regarding how to use School Cloud, please follow the link here to watch a short video <https://vimeo.com/473882995>.

**3. END OF SPRING TERM ARRANGEMENTS – FRIDAY 27 MARCH**

Please note that Student dismissal will begin at 12.00pm with Year 7 students and end at 12.20pm with Year 11 students. Senior staff members will be present to supervise and ensure that students are dismissed safely and in an orderly manner. Students will be guided by their teachers to designated dismissal points. Clear instructions will be given to ensure a smooth and safe process. We request that parents adhere to the scheduled dismissal times to ensure the process is safe and orderly for all students. After-school clubs and activities will not be available on the last day of term. All students should be picked up or leave school premises promptly after dismissal. If you

have any questions or need further information, please send an email to [adminoffice@draytonmanorhighschool.co.uk](mailto:adminoffice@draytonmanorhighschool.co.uk).

#### 4. PARENT SUPPORT CLINICS (BY APPOINTMENT) - WEDNESDAY 25 MARCH

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 speak directly with staff.

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

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

To help us plan, parents must sign up in advance via Microsoft Forms: [Parent Support Clinics \(Spring Term\) – Fill out 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

#### 5. REMINDER: MOBILE PHONES

Thank you to all our parents and carers for your continued support in helping us maintain a phone-free environment at school for students in Years 7 to 11. This plays an important part in ensuring students can focus on their childhood, friendships and learning, and we are very grateful for your partnership in upholding this aspect of our school culture.

Students in Years 7 to 11 must not bring smart phones to school.

If families feel a phone is necessary for the journey to and from school, students may bring an old-style brick phone, which must remain switched off during the school day and kept in their bags.

If helpful, the school can loan a traditional brick phone free of charge. Please contact Ms Hynes, who will be happy to support with arrangements.

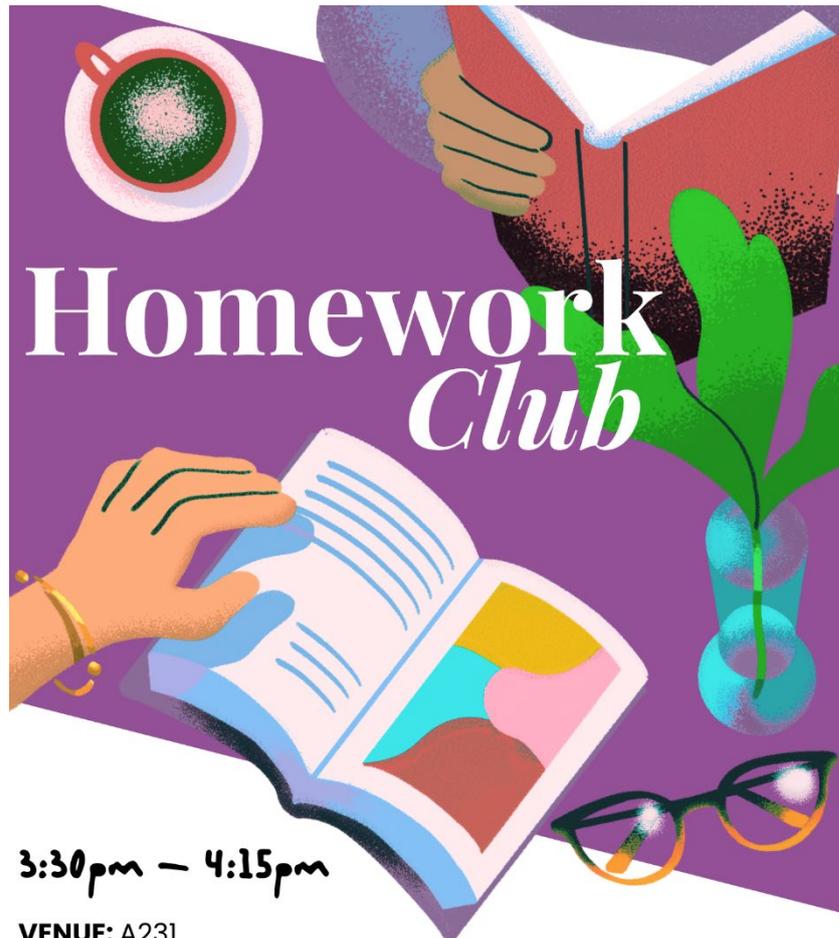
In line with our Mobile Phone Policy, any mobile phone found or used in school will be confiscated, and parents/carers will be required to book an appointment to collect it.

#### 6. HOMEWORK CLUB

We are holding a Homework Club to give students a supportive and calm space to complete their work. Join us in A231 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, and is a great opportunity to stay organised and get your homework done with confidence.



DRAYTON MANOR HIGH SCHOOL



3:30pm – 4:15pm

**VENUE:** A231

**DATES:**

-ON EVERY TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

**FACILITIES INCLUDE:**

-ACCESS TO LAPTOPS



## 7. WRAPAROUND SUPPORT AVAILABLE

A reminder to all families that the school can offer support in a wide range of areas. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Referrals to the Crisis Fund, Food Bank, and other grants for families experiencing financial difficulty
- Support with digital access, including referrals to the Good Things Foundation or similar organisations where lack of a device is affecting your child's education
- Referrals to the school nurse for concerns around a child's ongoing physical or mental health
- Practical support with uniform, including brand-new school shoes, tights, or a school bag for families facing financial hardship
- Free sanitary products, including pads, tampons, and period underwear, available to all female students

- Access to in-school counselling for students experiencing low mood, worries, anxiety, or anger
- Various clubs and extracurricular activities to help students build friendships, confidence, and interests
- Lunch Club (Drayton Connect) is available to all students

If you feel your family would benefit from any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact Ms Hynes (Family Engagement and Safeguarding Officer) or your child's Head of Year through [adminoffice@draytonmanorhighschool.co.uk](mailto:adminoffice@draytonmanorhighschool.co.uk)

#### 8. VENUES FOR GAMES LESSONS - SPRING TERM 2026

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

#### 9. ACCESS TO FREE SCHOOL UNIFORM PROVISION

Drayton Manor will continue to run internal affordable pre-loved uniform sales and accept donations but we would also like to make parents and carers aware of several local services offering free school uniform items to families. Details are as follows.

William Hobbayne Centre, Hanwell

A uniform distribution event will take place on Saturday 21 March 2026, from 1.00pm to 3.00pm.

[Download the flier here](#)

#### The Hub at Greenford Library

A permanent uniform hub operates at Greenford Library and is open weekly at the following times:

- Tuesday, 11.00am–5.00pm
- Wednesday, 10.00am–2.00pm
- Thursday, 1.00pm–5.00pm

[Download the flier here](#)

#### Monthly Pop-Up at Southall Manor

A monthly uniform pop-up stall is held outside Southall Manor on the last Saturday of each month, from 10.00am to 12.00pm. The next scheduled date is Saturday 28 April 2026.

[Find all the up to date information on the Ealing uniform project here.](#)

#### 10. EALING HAF PROGRAMME

Ealing HAF programme is available for students who access free school meals. Eligible young people can book to attend up to 4 free sessions over the two week holiday. Affordable activities are also available to all students.



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Contact: [HAF@ealing.gov.uk](mailto:HAF@ealing.gov.uk) or call 020 8825 5588 (Lines open 9am -1pm)  
To find out more and book your place, please visit [www.ealinghaf.org.uk](http://www.ealinghaf.org.uk)

# Ealing Youth HAF (Holiday Activities and Food) Programme 2026



**30 March to 10 April 2026**

Eligible young people can book to attend up to 4 free sessions over the two week holiday. Affordable activities are also available to all.

Contact: [HAF@ealing.gov.uk](mailto:HAF@ealing.gov.uk) or call 020 8825 5588 (Lines open 9am -1pm)

To find out more and book your place, please scan the **QR code** or visit [www.ealinghaf.org.uk](http://www.ealinghaf.org.uk) or [www.eequ.org/ealinghaf](http://www.eequ.org/ealinghaf)

**BOOKINGS OPEN**  
at 9am - Wednesday  
11 March 2026



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