

2nd September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a restful summer break. A warm welcome back to all our Year 13 students as they begin their final year at Ruislip High School.

Key Information to Know

- **New Reward Challenge:** Every student with 100% attendance for the first two weeks (up to **Friday 18th September 2026**) wins a treat and a chance to win a **£50 restaurant gift card**.
- **The Year 13 Focus:** This is the culmination of your child's school career. It is a pivotal year for final examinations, as well as university, apprenticeship, and employment applications.
- **The Big Goal:** Aim for an attendance rate **above 95%**. At this advanced stage, consistent attendance is the single most critical factor in achieving final target grades.
- **Termly Updates:** You will receive an attendance summary at the end of each term so we can work together to support your child.
- **Appointments:** Please try to schedule appointments outside of school hours. Missing morning registration or Period 4 counts as an absence and drops their overall percentage.

Why Attendance Matters

Year 13 moves at a very fast pace, and every single lesson directly contributes to your child's final outcomes and future pathways. Excellent attendance is more important than ever to ensure they don't fall behind on crucial content, coursework, or exam preparation. Even occasional days of absence can severely impact their readiness for life beyond secondary school.

Working Together

This year, we are strengthening our partnership with families by introducing a more family-centred approach to attendance. At the end of each term, you will receive a summary of your child's attendance, along with guidance and support where needed to help maintain or improve it.

While attendance remains a priority, our absolute focus is to work *with* you to support your family and help overcome any barriers to making regular attendance happen.

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to help your child finish strong and achieve their absolute best this year.

Yours sincerely



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