



September 2026

Dear Parent/Carer and Student

**Year 13 Study Skills and UCAS/Student Finance Evening for Parents and Students
Wednesday 16 September, 6.15pm – 7.15pm in the Chapel**

You are warmly invited to attend a presentation from Elevate Education, who run a programme of study skills and exam preparation strategies for our Sixth Form students, designed to maximise success. Elevate seminars have the most impact when they are reinforced outside of the classroom. The Elevate presenter will suggest ways of supporting young people, without becoming the enemy.

Their presentation will cover the following topics:

- How parents can help students to effectively manage their time
- How parents can help students to become motivated and stay motivated
- Different types of work students should prioritise across the year to maximise results
- How parents can help their child to work effectively with technology whilst minimising distractions such as social media.

There will also be a presentation from the University of Hertfordshire. Topics that will be covered include: the UCAS application process, tuition fees, tuition and maintenance loans, how repayments work, and the UCAS application process.

We pride ourselves in offering students and parents/carers appropriate information, advice and guidance and strongly recommend that you attend this event.

From 5.45pm, refreshments will be served at the rear of the Chapel. All funds raised from this will be split between Hector's House, a local charity dedicated to mental health awareness, and the WAMBA Community Trust. This trust works to improve the educational and health outcomes for youth in Wamba, Kenya.

We look forward to meeting you with your child during the evening.

Our biennial Careers EXPO, being held on Thursday 22 October, offers Year 13 students a vital opportunity to discuss career pathways with industry professionals. Students will be invited to sign up for the 4.45pm - 5.30pm twilight session and will receive guidance during assembly and tutor sessions to prepare for this important event. Further details and a digital exhibitor brochure will be sent in October.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Sixth Form