



MS GREEN'S FIVE - MINUTE UPDATE

Week beginning 26th February



FINHAM PARK
SIXTH FORM

Message from Ms Green:

What an amazing week. Last week we hosted James Ison, a self-made millionaire, for the final of our dragon's den competition. He provided start-up sponsorship for the three winning businesses, as well as the opportunity to receive mentoring from himself. It goes without saying that we are proud of our winners, but we are also proud of every student who participated. Mr Ison commented on being surprised and impressed by the quality of every presentation.

We have had success in both the biology Olympiad and the maths Ritangle competition. Huge congratulations to all students who participated.

This week we have spoken to students about the importance of wearing lanyards for safeguarding reasons. Please do work with us to encourage your child to wear their lanyard around school.

If your year 13 child wants to attend the prom and has not yet paid the deposit, please encourage them to do so as soon as possible so we have an idea of numbers. It will be a lovely event and is coming round quickly.

On 15th March we are holding an Iftar; students of all faiths or no faith are welcome to attend. Please do encourage your child to attend regardless of their beliefs, to support and learn a tradition important to Muslim members of the Finham family.

Have a great weekend when you get there.

Key Dates:

4th March: Year 12 progress check sent home

7th March: Year 12 parents evening.

15th March: Iftar

WB 18th March: Year 12 in class assessments

22nd March: Break up for Easter

8th April: Return to school

WB 8th April: Year 13 reports sent home.

6th May: Bank holiday – school closed

10th May: Year 13 'last day'

13th May: A Level exams start

WB 3rd June: Year 12 work experience week

In mentor period this week and next week students will:

Year 12 – Drugs, Alcohol, Substance Abuse

Year 13 – Substance Abuse, Workplace internships available at Finham Park school

Why am I telling you this?

1. *To give you a heads up – later in the term we will address some challenging topics (e.g., mental health/sexual harassment).*
2. *Please spend some time discussing these topics with students. Ask them about their study plans or applications.*

Period 6 talks:

11th March: Zero Gravity mentoring – Alex O'Connor (alumnus)

18th March: A future in the Tech Industry – Mickey Malone (alumnus)

22nd April: Life as a Psychology Student – Sumayyah Ali (Leicester University)

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Your first port of call should always be your child's mentor. Attendance queries to Mrs Wright.