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Dear Parents and Carers

As we begin the third week of timetabled lessons, students are hopefully settling into good routines to effectively manage their college studies. Many enrichment activities start this week. Students will be able to see details for each activity booked added to their timetable and should ensure they attend, as these sessions are registered in the same way as lessons.

At our presentation for parents of new students last Wednesday, we outlined some key information which we hope you will find useful as you support your young people through their sixth form experience. If you weren't able to make the meeting, you can access the slides and a recording of the presentation in the Parents/Carers section of our website. There are a range of other new resources under 'Useful Information', that we recommend for parents and carers of all students:

- Pastoral Directors Video outlines support provision available to students (Tutors, Heads of House, Study Support, Wellbeing, Careers and Higher Education)
- **Parents/Carers Information Booklet** the most important information all in one place, especially handy if you prefer to print a paper copy!
- **Key dates for the year** term dates and events
- How to report student absence includes new DfE guidance for parents on attendance
- How to access MyStudent the parent portal.

MyStudent - provides parental access to information about your student, for example their timetable, attendance record, exam dates and progress grades. You will also need to book parents evening appointments through MyStudent. MyStudent also provides a permanent link to a private area of the website for parents and carers of Collyer's students. Our <u>Information and Resources</u> <u>Platform</u> outlines sources of support at college for students, and also signposts sources of support for parents and carers as you help navigate your young person through this important phase of their education and beyond.

Please do get in touch with your young person's Tutor or our Student Services Team if you have any concerns in the coming months. We look forward to working with you through this academic year.

Best wishes

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