

### Dear Parents and Carers,

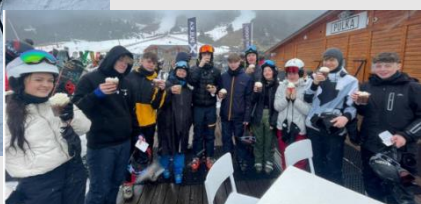
As with most holidays – the school was busy taking students out into the world. This time to Berlin and Auschwitz and skiing in the Alps. Both sets of students had a brilliant time, learning lots, and behaving brilliantly.

See our Facebook page for a full account of the ski trip from the students.



You may have seen in the press, news of the government's "ban on **mobile phones** in schools". Our position remains unaltered. Students and parents sign up to our policy in the planner each year and may then bring a phone to school, but this must always be switched off and in the bottom of the bag from 8.30am to 3.00pm

You can support us by not calling your child in the day, and using our switchboard if you have an urgent need to speak to them.



## REMINDERS & NOTICES

### Year 11 Rotary Interviews

Thank you to all our Rotarians who supported this long-standing tradition which gives all students a taste of a live interview.



### Wellbeing Wednesday for Sixth Form

Unwinding after the mock exams.



### Year 11 Exam Preparation

The students are well on the way, with the second of three 5-week blocks, leading up to the exams. The programme of revision skills and support sessions continues...



Afterschool extra classes



Some of the Costa Challenge winners were rewarded in a draw for all students attending 5 sessions in a week.

**Year 11 Pomodoro** sessions continue every Tuesday – please support your child by ensuring they have materials ready to make the most of the 25 minutes.

**House Bake Off** – and tasting for the first time since Covid! With the theme "Cake is life" – the finalists did a great job with Whittaker coming out on top.



We have a fantastic opportunity for your child to learn a **brass instrument** - please complete the form [here](#) to express an interest.

## FOCUS



### Years 10 & 11 Rugby Success

The combined team played away at Corbet in the County Cup and were fantastic running out as comfortable winners by 45 points to zero. The highlight was the team play and fantastic attitude and respect they showed to the ref and the opposition – excellence in action. The team were deserving winners on the night, and it was a pleasure to spend time with them.

Mr Martin



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Click [here](#) to view our upcoming events.  
Events at a glance:  
Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February – Year 8 Parents' Evening (online)  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March – Years 12 & 13 Parents' Evening (online)  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March – Year 11 Parents' Evening (online)  
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## NEWS

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