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The Ski Trip

This year's ski trip will leave at **12.30 pm next Friday**. Full details have been given to the parents and students concerned. We wish all those going an enjoyable week.

Non Uniform Day

This term's non uniform day is **next Friday (15th February)**. Students need to contribute £1 to come in non uniform and are reminded that they should dress appropriately for school with **no bare shoulders or midriffs and that it is a normal working day**.

Internet Safety awareness

This Tuesday was internet safety day. Parents might be interested in this site which accompanied it:
<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/secondary/>

Year Group News

Year 9

- Thank you to those parents who attended last night's **parents' evening**. This term's **interim assessment** will be sent home on **Wednesday 6th March**.
- Students received an introductory talk on the **options process** yesterday and will receive the **booklet** early next week.

- Students will have a **series of talks** focusing on subjects which are new at GCSE between next week and the options evening.
- The **Information Evening and Options Fayre for parents and students is at 7 pm on Thursday 7th March**.
- In the week following the issuing of the interim assessments and the Options Fayre, parents will have **individual discussions** with their children and our tutors to discuss both progress and option choices.
- The **options choice form** is then returned by **Wednesday 20th March**.

Year 11

- All parents should have received the **scoresheet** from the recent practice examinations via their children today. These can be discussed at the parents' evenings on:
**Wednesday 13th February:
4.30 – 6 pm**
**Thursday 28th February:
4.30 – 7 pm**

Invitation letters and appointment sheets were sent out last Friday and all parents are urged to attend one of these evenings. Please contact **Mrs Bradbury** if this is not possible

so alternative arrangements can be made at this crucial stage in your children's education.

- The **GCSE History** workshop in Norwich is on **Monday**.

Years 12 and 13

AS and 'A' level Art students were issued with the final examination paper this week.

Year 13

Year 13 Historians are reminded that their completed **Historical Enquiries** must be submitted by **Thursday 14th February**. The Historical Enquiry must include: i) your essay (3,500 words max); ii) a bibliography at the end of the essay (this does not go towards the word count); iii) your source evaluation (500 words max).

Fixtures

11.02.13
U16 girls' hockey v Thomas Gainsborough (a)
12.02.13
U14/U16 netball v St Benedict's (h)
13.02.13
U16 rugby (Suffolk competition)
U14 boys' hockey v Newmarket (a)
U19 boys' basketball v Shoeburyness (h)
14.02.13
U14 girls' hockey v Newmarket (a)

Half Term

School finishes for half term next Friday (15th February) and **students return on Monday 25th February**. The County Courier will be published next Friday as usual.