



14 September 2025

Dear Parent / Carer

Welcome back to school for the final year at George Pindar!

I hope this finds you well after the first two weeks of the academic year. We have been delighted to welcome our wonderful Year 11s back to school and we hope that they are enjoying the challenge of getting ready for exam success.

Attendance is our number one priority and whilst I am delighted that many Year 11 students have achieved 100% attendance over the last nine days, the overall figure for Year 11 attendance is 89.25% which is well below our whole-school attendance target. GCSE exams start in only **29 school weeks** and the results from our students this summer have again reminded us of how incredibly important attendance is. Put simply, students who attend more achieve more so please encourage your child to attend school every single day. As you are aware, our rewards system is based on the collection of stamps which are counted up weekly and can be used to 'buy' rewards like queue jumper tickets or tuck shop vouchers at the end of each term. Students who achieve 100% attendance each week are given tickets to the 100 Club to enter into our prize draw - please remind your child that they need to be in to win! If you have any queries or challenges with attendance please contact school - we are here to help.

I am keenly aware of the importance of home-school communication to ensure that your child can succeed and we want to work with families to strive for success. The next **nine months** will make a huge difference to your child's next steps and we know that when we work together, it does improve results. Please take note of the following dates for your diary:

- 19.09.25 and 22.09.25 Geography Field Trips
- 30.09.25 Presentation from Scarborough Sixth Form College during assembly
- 06.10.25 Presentation from Lady Lumley's Sixth Form during assembly
- 13.10.25 Presentation from Scarborough Tec during assembly
- 21.10.25 Year 11 Steps to Success evening at 6.30pm for parents and students
- 10.11.25 Year 11 Mocks begin

We are so pleased by the way students have adapted to our new uniform and our website provides reminders of our uniform expectations. In Year 11 we cannot afford to miss days of learning due to uniform indiscretions so please encourage your child to comply fully with our rules. Please ensure your child's name is written on the label on the jumper. I would like to remind all families that we expect every student to carry a bag with them to school where they can put their school planner and equipment including a black or blue pen, green pen, pencil, ruler and calculator as a minimum. It is vital that students bring their own equipment to school to speed up learning and I am grateful for your help in ensuring your child is well equipped for school.

I would strongly encourage you to download the Edulink App which gives you a quick method of checking your child's attendance, achievement points, behaviour and timetable, or bookmark the Edulink website address so you can check in on your child's progress. If you have any difficulties with your login, please contact the school office.

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Our 'Beyond The 25' programme has already started and students can sign up to a variety of activities including football, badminton, gymnastics, fitness, homework club and more. Our programme of Lesson 6 interventions will begin imminently and we will share details with you as soon as possible. I cannot overemphasise what a difference these interventions make and I urge your child to participate. Trips and visits including sports fixtures also start soon so please complete the annual consent form which was emailed to you last week. If you have any queries, please contact the school office.

I would like to thank you, as always, for your support as we seek to help your child strive for success at George Pindar School. I hope you can join us at the Information Evening and look forward to seeing you soon.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L Welsh'.

Lesley Welsh

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