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Dear Parent/Guardians of Year 13 students,

Re: Progression Exams and UCAS deadlines

I am writing to provide you with some important information and updates on Year 13's forthcoming Progression Exams (Season 2) together with upcoming UCAS deadlines and other important dates for your diary.

Building upon last summer's excellent A-Level and vocational results, I am looking forward to working alongside the sixth form pastoral team and teachers to support Year 13 through the final year of their programme of study.

As well as working closely with the Head of Year 13 (Mr Herga), Deputy Head of Year (Mr Tholley) and SEND Deputy Head of Year (MS Patel), I will be supported by BSF's Assistant Principal's Ms Matharu and Mr Williamson.

1. UCAS update

- All students are expected to register and submit a university application via the UCAS portal this year, even if they are considering alternatives such as an apprenticeship, employment or taking a gap year.
- All students are strongly encouraged to complete the contextual form linked [here](#), if they wish to be considered for a contextual offer.
- Oxbridge/MDV early applicants must complete, submit and pay for, their completed UCAS applications, by 6.00pm on Wednesday 15 October 2025.
- All other students must complete and submit their UCAS application by Friday 5 December 2025, in order for us to check them, provide the necessary references and send them to UCAS before the Xmas break.
- The final national deadline is Wednesday 14 January 2026 at 6.00pm. Please note that this national deadline has been brought by two weeks this academic year, so it is imperative that all students meet the internal deadline that we have set to allow sufficient time for the applications to be processed.
- Students are being given support with their applications via tutor time, Unifrog and PSHE sessions led by universities and sixth form specialists; they can also contact admin@bealsixthform.co.uk or the team directly for any specific advice/guidance.



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- Admissions test deadlines vary so please ensure that any applicants that need to sit any form of university admissions test this year, such as BMAT/LNAT/MAT/PAT/TMUA etc, have arranged this and are aware of the date of the test if this has not already been conducted.

2. Progression Exams – Season 2

- Progression Exams (Season 2) will run from **Monday 13th October to Tuesday 21st October 2025.**
- Lessons will be suspended, and students will be on study leave for the first full week of exams (w/b 13 October). Normal lessons will resume on Monday 20th October for all students, unless they have an exam.
- Students studying BTEC Applied Science and BTEC Business must still attend lessons, apart from when they clash with their one exam.
- FYI - please find attached a copy of the progression exam timetable below:

Day	Date	Start	Exam	Length
Mon	13/10/2025	AM	Business	2hrs
Mon	13/10/2025	PM	History	1hr 30
Tues	14/10/2025	AM	Maths 1	2hrs
Tues	14/10/2025	AM	Law 1	1hr 30
Tues	14/10/2025	PM	Psychology 1	1hr
Wed	15/10/2025	AM	Biology	2hr 15
Wed	15/10/2025	AM	Physics	2hr 15
Wed	15/10/2025	PM	Sociology	1hr 30
Thurs	16/10/2025	AM	Chemistry	2hr 15
Thurs	16/10/2025	AM	Literature	2hr 15
Thurs	16/10/2025	PM	Maths 2	1hr
Thurs	16/10/2025	PM	Law 2	1hr 30
Fri	17/10/2025	AM	Economics	2hrs
Fri	17/10/2025	PM	Psychology 2	1hr 30
Mon	20/10/2025	AM	Geography	2hr 15
Mon	20/10/2025	PM	RS	2hrs
Tues	21/10/2025	AM	Media Studies	2hr 30
Tues	21/10/2025	AM	Computer	2hr 30
Tues	21/10/2025	PM	Politics	2hrs

- It is important that all students prepare thoroughly for the forthcoming progression exams. In addition to informing the final round of UCAS predicted grades ahead of the application deadline, the exams provide students with a valuable opportunity to improve their exam technique, resilience and organisation.
- Student timetables will be distributed to students this week.
- Students must ensure they arrive 15 mins before the start of the exams – **8.45am ready for a 9.00am start (AM) or 1.45pm ready for a 2.00pm start (PM).**
- They must bring the correct equipment and IDs/lanyards and ensure they are adhering to [sixth form dress code](#) to be admitted into the exam hall by the invigilators.
- Please contact us ASAP if there is a reason why they are running late or cannot sit an exam – sixthformabsence@bealhighschool.co.uk or by calling 02085514954

3. Year 13 Parents' Evening

- Looking ahead, the next round of reports/predictions will be published on Monday 1st December ahead of the parents' evening on Tuesday 2nd December (3.30-6.30pm).

To conclude, just wanted to share a final reminder that all students must be in school from **8.30am every day; tutor time, assembly and PSHE on Friday all form an essential part of their education and welfare** as we welcome weekly guest speakers to talk about careers, university, apprenticeships, finance, mental health and other important topics.

Any questions please get in touch.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "S Baker". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

S Baker

Vice Principal / Head of Sixth Form