

Weekly News – 16th January 2026

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE: It has been an important week for Year 13 with all UCAS applications sent off and we now look forward to interviews and offers. At the same time Year 13 have been receiving their mock grades which, like Year 11, are used to indicate next steps. Just a reminder that all students have access to our [eLibrary](#) using their school log in, where they have access to hundreds of free books, so please do use this resource and enjoy! Have a good weekend!

WEEKLY DIARY - Please click [here](#) for the diary for the week commencing 19th January.

YEAR 13 PARENTS' EVENING will be on Thursday 29th January 4.30 - 7pm **in person, at school**. Appointments will be available to book on [SchoolCloud](#) from 6.30pm on Monday 19th January and will close for bookings at 8am on Monday 26th January.

CAREERS FAIR 26TH MARCH – The Misbourne School are holding a Careers Fair on Friday 26th March from 6-8pm, to which local students and parents are invited. It is aimed primarily at students in Years 11-13, though all are welcome. Please click [here](#) for the letter from the Misbourne which contains information about the exhibitors and further details about the event.

WORKSHOP INVITATION – Chiltern Area Partnership are hosting a free online parent talk delivered by Papaya, a nationally respected organisation specialising in digital well-being, childhood development and parent support. This will be held on Wednesday 4th of February 7.00 pm (online). Please click [here](#) for information, and click [here](#) to register.

On a similar theme, Please click [here](#) for a very useful guide for parents published by Children's Commissioner, Dame Rachel de Souza on **Managing Children's Digital Lives**. Dame Rachel states Dame Rachel states:

This guide was written with the direct involvement of children in England. It is a reflection of their views. My office visited schools to speak to teenagers, and spoke to my Youth Ambassadors and Youth Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Panel to get their expertise on what works and what doesn't work between parents or carers and children in the 21st Century.

When I speak to children about what they would do differently when it comes to being online, with the benefit of hindsight, I ask them: would they give a smartphone to their own teenager? Almost unanimously, they tell me no. They want to be protected from it as long as possible.

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION MEETING: The PA are holding a meeting online on Monday 19th January at 7.30pm. All parents and carers are very welcome. They have some exciting events planned for this year including the annual quiz and they would love your support to ensure they can go ahead.

Meeting details:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/32546473444109?p=4SO1bsYSCxuG8ddnNk>

Meeting ID: 325 464 734 441 09

Passcode: iG3nW2Gq