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Dear Year 10 families,

RE: Supporting Year 10 Success

I am writing to share important information about the support and guidance available to help our Year 10 students thrive throughout the year.

Year 10 is a pivotal stage in every student's educational journey, laying the foundations for future opportunities and success. With this in mind, I am delighted to introduce myself as the Director of Learning for Key Stage 4 Attainment, a role focused on supporting student progress, achievement and aspirations throughout Key Stage 4.

My priority is to ensure that every student is able to achieve their full potential. We are closely monitoring progress and providing tailored support where needed, including revision sessions, targeted interventions and additional guidance for students facing challenges. Through regular tracking and timely support, we aim to ensure that every student remains on track and has the tools they need to succeed.

Equally important is celebrating achievement and building confidence, helping students to remain motivated, resilient and ambitious. By working closely with students, staff and families, we will support every young person to make the most of the opportunities available to them, preparing students for bright futures, both personally and academically.

Excellent Attendance, Strong Outcomes

Regular attendance is one of the most significant factors in academic success. Students who attend school consistently are better placed to keep up with learning, build confidence, develop positive routines and achieve strong outcomes. Every lesson matters, and attending school every day enables students to benefit fully from classroom learning, revision opportunities and additional support, helping them to achieve their potential and make sustained progress.

Student Support and Guidance

To ensure students have access to the guidance and resources they need throughout Year 10, we have a range of support systems in place. The information below outlines the key opportunities available to help students stay on track, build confidence and achieve their potential.

Key Stage 4 Website

Families and students can access our dedicated Key Stage 4 webpage, [Stay on Track, Study Smart and Succeed](#). This central hub contains key information, including important dates, study skills advice, revision resources, learning tools, and wellbeing support throughout Key Stage 4.



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Key Stage 4 Notice Board

Our dedicated Key Stage 4 notice board provides students with a central point of reference for important information, updates, key dates and opportunities relevant to their year group. Students are encouraged to regularly check the notice board for any updates.

Termly Newsletter

Our termly Key Stage 4 newsletter will keep students and families informed of important upcoming dates, opportunities and developments, as well as recognising and celebrating student successes.

Diary Dates

Please note the following dates for your diary:

Year 10 Webinar – Thursday 24 September, 6:00-7:00pm

On Thursday 24 September we will be hosting a webinar for Year 10 families focusing on students' experience during Year 10, including Pre-Public Examinations and understanding GCSE and BTEC subjects.

The webinar will take place on line via Zoom. Joining instructions have been emailed to all families on 7th September 2026.

Success at 16 Evening – Wednesday 7 October 2026, 4:00pm-7:00pm

Our Success at 16 evening provides an early opportunity for Year 10 students and their families to explore post-16 education pathways and begin considering their next steps beyond Rye College. This event will take place in the English block and will bring together a range of post-16 providers who will be available to discuss courses, entry requirements and application processes. Students and their families will also be able to access course literature and other useful information to support their decision-making. A confirmed list of attending providers will be shared closer to the event date.

Year 10 Progress Evening – Wednesday 20 January 2027, 4:00pm-7:00pm

Year 10 Progress Evening provides an important opportunity for families to meet with teachers, discuss progress, celebrate successes and identify any areas where additional support may be beneficial. These conversations help ensure that students, families and school staff are working together to support strong progress throughout this important stage of Key Stage 4. Further information, including booking details, will be shared closer to the event.

Supporting Success Through Partnership

We know that the partnership between home and school plays a crucial role in student success. Families can make a significant difference by encouraging excellent attendance, positive study habits and active engagement with the support opportunities available.



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By working together, maintaining open communication and sharing high expectations, we can ensure that every student is supported, challenged and empowered to make the most of every opportunity throughout Year 10.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me via office@ryecollege.co.uk

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Greenough

Director of Learning – Key Stage 4 Attainment

