

# **Dates for your Diary**

	Monday 9 December - Friday 13 December Y8 Assessment
	Monday 9 December - Friday 13 December Y7 Assessment
12	Monday 6 December - Friday 10 December Y12 Assessment
12 13	Thursday 5 December - Year 12 & Y13 Sixth Form Parents Evening
	Thursday 12 December - Year 11 Year 11 Parents Evening
ALL	Wednesday 18 December - All students ELD 2 - Cultural Capital Day
ALL	23 December - 03 January All students - Christmas Holiday
ALL	Monday 6 January - All students First Day of Spring Term (08.30am start)
ALL	Thursday 9 January - All students ELD 3 - Literacy
	Thursday 16 January - Year 8 Year 8 Parents Evening I
	Thursday 23 January - Year 8 Year 8 Parents Evening 2



### Message from the Headteacher

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

It was very pleasing to see so many parents and carers at last week's Sixth Form Parents Evening. At the start of the event parents received a presentation on the different ways they can support their children's learning as they approach their A Level examinations. Students have also received Personal Learning Checks (PLCs) for each subject, a very helpful summary of the information on the A Level specification which has been individualised to indicate student strengths and areas for development.

Please make sure you check your child's homework over the Christmas break. In total, students will have 16 days out of school – plenty of time to relax and enjoy Christmas as well as plenty of time to stretch their minds on some challenging extension activities. As you are aware, there are many excellent (and free) museums, galleries and events students can enjoy over the festive season, both in Brent and in central London.





Many sports have a **READY** position at the start of a sequence of play. In tennis, players face forwards, both hands on the racket, ready to respond to the serve. Mountain bikers stand with a slight bend in the knees for extra control of the bike. In volleyball, the player balances forwards to gain the momentum to react to an upcoming play. These ready positions help the player respond quickly and gain an advantage. Similarly, we need to adopt our own routine to help us make the most of each day. A good night's sleep the night before, away from mobile phones; checking we have perfect uniform and all the equipment for the day ahead; leaving home in good time; eating a healthy breakfast so that we can concentrate - this is our ready routine, which sets us up, every day, to do our best.

## **Supporting Sufra** and those in need

Our Student Voice would like to help the homeless and those in need this Christmas and will be collecting food and clothing items throughout this week that will be donated to support the local community. If you would like to make a donation or find out more information, please click on the poster below:



### Stay safe online this Christmas

Parents, will your kids be safe online at Christmas with their new devices?

DigiSafe offers a webinar to help parents and students learn more about online safety. To find out more information, check out the poster below:



# Alperton teacher wins the Silver Medal in the **England Masters National Championship**

Congratulations to our EALTLL Ms Srushti Panchal who won the Silver Medal in the Badminton women's singles on Friday 29 November in the 25th England Masters National Championship. On Sunday I December she also participated in the 20th UK Chinese Badminton Tournament and won the Bronze Medal in women's singles. We are very proud of Ms Panchal and we wish her more successes in the future.





### PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR EDUCATIONA

Throughout the year we run many educational trips and visits - from Geneva in Switzerland to the Hindu Temple on Ealing Road. We would love to be able to organise even more exciting trips, if parents were able to offer their support. The trips will always be of educational value and are intended to be inspirational to student learning.

To apply, please contact Ms Murphy: Tel: 0208 902 2038 Email: k.murphy@alperton.brent.sch.uk

The school will pay for any DBS checks required, fares on public transport and meals.

### **Words of the Week**



## **Library Newsletters**

Click on the images below to see this month's editions of our ER and SA Library Newsletters, packed with information about books and library events.

SA Library Newsletter

ER Library Newsletter



# Tracksuit design competition

Would you like to design a tracksuit for the fashion brand Illusive? Our textiles department is organising an exciting competition for our KS3 students. For more information, check out the poster below:

#### Calling all Future Design Superstars



Design a Tracksuit Competition for brand Illusi