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Dear Parents/Carers

Year 13 EPQ

This is a busy term in Year 13 and we are writing to outline the deadlines in relation to EPQ. Those students who took advantage of the drop-in workshops during the last two weeks of the summer term made good progress and we have several students who have finished or almost finished their project in time for the autumn submission deadline of 4th October. The results for these submissions will be published by AQA in January 2020.

For everyone else the school deadline of 13th December is the last possible entry point and all students are expected to complete the course. Meeting this deadline depends, however, on finishing the essay or artefact before half term for feedback. Following this will be a presentation in November, as well as finishing the log book. These results will be published in August 2020. We will be speaking to any students who we feel will struggle to meet this deadline (e.g. if they have not yet started writing their essay or creating their product). Please note that students have been aware of these deadlines since early in Year 12. If they feel they are experiencing problems, they should speak to their EPQ tutor urgently. Any projects not completed by 13th December WILL NOT be marked nor submitted to the exam board.

These deadlines have been put in place to allow students the time to concentrate on their other studies and their applications to university, employment or apprenticeships and training. Please note that the majority of students applying to university need to submit their completed UCAS to school for internal checking and references by Friday 15th November. We ask you to encourage your son/daughter to aim to complete their EPQ as soon as they can before half term to gain time to concentrate on these other important tasks.

Any student who does not complete EPQ needs to remove it from their personal statement on their UCAS application.

Ms Reynolds or I will be happy to discuss the progress of individual students and you can contact us on reynolds@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk or tresidder@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk if you have any questions. We find this is more useful than booking appointments at parents' evening when time spent with main subject teachers takes priority.

Yours sincerely

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