



ULVERSTON VICTORIA HIGH SCHOOL



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12th January 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

It has been lovely to welcome back our students following the Christmas break and to wish them the best for this new year. They have settled well into the use of new spaces at break and lunchtime, and it is great to see an increase in the number of young people spending time outside in the fresh air.

Last half term was filled with exciting activities and trips. In particular, the final week was packed with brilliant performances in the Dance Show and the Christmas Music Festival. Both evenings demonstrated the breadth and depth of talent we have across all year groups. The high standard of performance is a testament to students' commitment to practice.

In addition, we were thrilled to see students from last year's Year 11 and Year 13 who received their examination certificates at senior prizegiving. It is always a pleasure to hear about exciting next steps and to celebrate the many achievements and special awards with them.

Finally, our achievement assemblies at the end of term also highlighted students' commitment to our Victoria Values of attendance, listening carefully, understanding and showing compassion for others, engaging in learning and supporting the wider life of the school. The new House Ticket reward system has also been a brilliant success with 813 tickets being distributed last half term.

Turning our attention to this half term, we would like to provide you with information and some key dates.

Key Dates

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>
9	Options Evening 6pm	Monday 12 th January
13	A-level mock exams	Monday 12 th to Friday 16 th January
11	GCSE mock exams	Wednesday 14 th to Friday 23 rd January
9	Parents' Evening	Thursday 22 nd January
13	Krakow Parents' Information meeting	Wednesday 28 th January
11	Photographs	Thursday 29 th January
9	The Lighthouse Workshop	Thursday 29 th January
7-12	Primary Dance Platforms	Tuesday 10 th & Wednesday 11 th February
8	Parents' Evening	Thursday 12 th February
12	Lancaster University Trip	Thursday 12 th February

Mock exams

All students in Year 11 and Year 13 should have now received their individual mock examination timetable. Students have received an assembly regarding the regulations for exams which can also be found here: [Ulverston Victoria High School - Exam Regulations](#) and have had a revision workshop day. As parents, it can sometimes be difficult to know how to support – there are some helpful tips here: [Ulverston Victoria High School - Revision Information](#). If your child has access arrangements, you will be notified via email.



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Toilets

The construction work on the A block boys' toilets is not yet complete as, with many old buildings, new issues arose while undertaking this work. As a reminder, boys in Year 9, Year 10 and Year 11 will use the toilets upstairs in C block while work continues.

We hope the refurbishment of the boys' toilets will be complete by 19th January and will update you as required.

Ready to Learn

In ensuring 'every child is valued, supported and empowered to achieve their unique potential', it is crucial that behaviour in the classroom contributes to a positive and productive learning atmosphere. Every student has the right to learn.

We would like to clarify further steps that are taken to support all learners if a student persistently disrupts the learning environment.

In addition to the restorative conversations following a removal from the classroom that we outlined last term, please see below our further intervention and escalation process for the occasions when a student is unable to improve their behaviour for learning. **If a student disrupts the learning of others and is removed from the classroom:**

	Sanction	Additional Intervention
Twice in one day	Isolation (1 day)	Restorative conversation with an Academic Intervention Mentor
Three times in one week	Isolation (1 day)	Restorative conversation with an Academic Intervention Mentor Mentoring report to Form Tutor*

*We ask that parents check this report at home and ensure it is brought into school each day.

Every attempt is made by staff to support students to make good choices. The purpose of restorative conversations and mentoring support is to help our young people meet our standards so that all children can achieve their unique potential.

If a student persistently disrupts learning and/or is placed in isolation three times in a half term for significant breaches of the school's behaviour policy outside of the classroom, then more significant sanctions will be considered which may mean a fixed term suspension.

Please take this opportunity to re-read the home-school agreement which can found here: [Ulverston Victoria High School - Home School Partnership](#)



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A reminder about access to the school site for students

Students can arrive on site via the pedestrian entrances on Springfield Road and Victoria Road from 8.10am when they can go to the cloister. They are able to access their form room from 8.40am. 6th form students can continue to use the gate by the Coach House.

At break and lunchtime, students can use the following indoor spaces if they wish: Year 7 and 8 – the KS3 canteen and Cloister; Year 9 – the KS3 canteen and the hall; Year 10 and 11 – the KS4 dining room and form rooms.

Work Experience

While Year 10 work experience is next half term, it fast approaches (w/b 9th March). If you are having difficulty finding a placement for your child, please contact us using this email address: workexp@uvhs.uk

Yours sincerely

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Deputy Headteacher

