

Dear Parent / Carer

I hope you all had a lovely holiday and are beginning to get back to normal as we move into 2024. Certainly it's good personally to be back at Mintlaw Academy once again following my surgery end of last term. It's a busy start to the term with year group assemblies this week ensuring all pupils, Seniors and S1-S3 are aware of the changes into next week as our Prelim diet starts. Can I take this opportunity to wish all our senior pupils sitting exams over the next few weeks all the very best.

As a new year starts, can I also take the opportunity to highlight that we are once again looking for your help in working to curb vaping around the school campus. I am very pleased to highlight that the issues in school have certainly improved but vaping remains a concern across the wider campus. With that in mind we are sending out a letter tomorrow around the concerns of vaping, which I hope you will take the opportunity to discuss with you son / daughter and we will follow this up with individual communication with yourselves where we suspect your son / daughter may be involved in vaping. Hopefully together we can make some real progress in this area across 2024.

Once again, can I wish you all the very best for 2024. Hopefully once again this is a very good year for the Mintlaw Academy School Community.

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