

26<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Dear Students, Parents and Carers.

### **The Salon Skills Showcase – Tickets are live**

The date has finally arrived to purchase your tickets for the annual Ely College and Bishop Laney Sixth Form Salon Skills Showcase.

Just a reminder that the Showcase will highlight the student's hair and beauty skills through years 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13. Each year will have its own era to represent. Year 9, The Swinging Sixties, Year 10, The Roaring Twenties, Year 11, Ancient Greece. This will be part of the synoptic assessment for year 11 with work counting towards their overall qualification grade and as part of mock for year 10. Sixth form students' efforts will reflect Fantasy theme.

I'm sure you are well aware of the excitement surrounding this event, the salons are a hive of activity.

The Show will take place on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2026 in Needham's Hall starting at 7.00pm. Tickets are available through MCAS for £4.00 each. Please book early to avoid disappointment, tickets do sell out fast.

### **How can students prepare for the show?**

Students will be required to create an image based on a theme (era's as detailed above). They have completed their research to help with their choices. They are practicing hair and beauty techniques and are encouraged to do this at home to develop their confidence. Students are also encouraged to think about suitable outfits to complete their images, the era's. Current fashion trends make it possible for students own outfits to be used to avoid additional costs.

### Rehearsals for the show

Rehearsals will be carried out during the school day with final rehearsals taking place on the day of the show.

### Day of the Show

Students will need to stay in school until the end of the show. They will have plenty of time to 'create their image based on a theme' with their models and practice their catwalk during the day. Ideally, if they could bring a packed lunch to have before the show starts, that would be most helpful. Water will be available to keep them hydrated.

Year 11 will be out of lessons and with Hair and Beauty staff all day. Years 9 and 10 will be out of lessons from period 3.

### Additional Information

During the interval there will be a raffle and the bar will be open for your arrival and until the end of the show. We will also be asking local businesses if they would like to support our show. If you would like to make any recommendations or donate a raffle prize to support our students, please contact [JConstable@elycollege.co.uk](mailto:JConstable@elycollege.co.uk).

We are incredibly excited to have the opportunity to showcase our students amazing skills and to involve all Hair and Beauty students in this show. So please Save The Date!

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me:

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Kind regards,

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