



Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

End of Year Arrangements

As you are aware, this year has a very different end to that which we would have liked for year 11. I am writing to you to explain the assessment process, advise you about a survey and inform you about arrangements for the end of term.

The teacher assessed grades or TAGs are based on a combination of work completed over the course of the two years, mock exams and formal assessments conducted since the return to school. All formal assessments are subject to a rigorous moderation process both within school and across the Trust schools. The exam boards may call for samples of work and marking for further quality assurance. All staff have received training on accurate marking including ensuring parity and avoiding bias. I have been extremely proud of the hard work and rigorous teaching and marking that staff have put into collating evidence and marking the formal assessments under very tight time conditions.

GCSE results will be released earlier than usual this year - results day is August 12th and we will keep you informed about how students will receive their results as this is decided. I am hoping that, by then, Covid restrictions will be lifted and we may be able to have a 'normal' results day.

To ensure that all stakeholders have a clear understanding of the process, how results will be released and the appeals process, we have developed a short information document and survey - please ensure that you complete this document before the 21st May. It can be found here:

[Information Document and Survey](#)

Regarding the end of term, firstly I would like to commend the vast majority of students in year 11 for their resilience in adapting to online learning and to the restrictions in place in school. I have been very proud to see how they have approached these assessments and how most students have grasped the opportunity to do their very best on the tasks set. Any students who have missed any assessments will be given time to complete these in the week beginning 24th May to ensure that all students have had the opportunity to achieve the very best results of which they are capable.

As we will still be under restrictions when year 11 leave, I have decided that the following will take place to allow some relief from assessments and to recognise students' hard work:

On Thursday 13th May we have arranged for the school photographer to come in to take the whole year group photograph we were not able to take earlier this year, please ensure that the correct uniform is worn. This photograph will be available to purchase and will be a lasting memory of students' time at school.





On Monday 24th May there will be a morning of 'Safer Futures' workshops during the morning. In the afternoon, there will be a choice of films to watch.

On Tuesday 25th May, there will be a day of activities run by TLE Sports - students should wear mufti and bring a change of clothes in case they get wet!

On Wednesday 26th May, normal PB and PE lessons will take place; during the last lesson of the day, students are welcome to sign shirts if they wish. Students will need to bring a shirt with them as they will be in PE kit

On Thursday 27th May, Year 11 students should arrive in school by 9.50. We will hold a leavers' assembly during period 2 to celebrate their time here and to look forward to their next steps. During periods 3 and 4, a barbecue will take place where students will be joined by teachers who can 'drop in' to say goodbye. All Year 11 students can leave the site at 12.40 and I would ask that they do not 'hang around' as they will not be supervised. Those who travel by school bus will need to make alternative arrangements to either have transport or speak to the pastoral team about arrangements for staying in school until their usual pick up time; we will need to know numbers to ensure supervision is in place.

I know that the pastoral team is organising a year book and the opportunity to purchase leavers' hoodies; further details will follow about this.

I am expecting that Year 11 will finish their school year with the same behaviour that has made us so proud of them throughout this difficult time - I know that they will meet our expectations and leave us with very positive memories of their final day. However, if any students fail to meet expectations in the time leading up to this final week, I may have to say that they cannot attend some, or all, of these events.

Year 11 joined as Year 7 when I became headteacher and so we will be leaving the school at almost exactly the same time. I am privileged to have been their headteacher and would like to thank them and you, their parents and carers, for all your support during my time at the school.

Yours faithfully

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