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Dear Parents and Carers of Year 11 Students,

## Year 11 Arrangements

As we approach the end of your child's time in Year 11 and look ahead to the upcoming GCSE exam period, I would like to share some important information about their final day in school before exam leave, as well as key updates regarding attendance, revision support, and end of year celebrations.

## Final Day Arrangements – Friday 9 May

The schedule for the day is as follows:

- **AM Registration** – All students to attend in form rooms as normal.
- **Period 1 – Tutor Time and Locker Clearance** – Students will remain in their form rooms for a final check-in with tutors. This is a time for final messages and goodbyes with tutors. Also students should clean and empty their lockers, taking all books and resources at home.
- **Period 2 – Shirt Signing and Photos in the Gym** – Tutors will take students to the Gym for shirt signing and photographs.
- **Period 3 – Final Year 11 Assembly** – A final celebration in the Main Hall to reflect on students' achievements through this year and before.
- **Period 4 – Dismissal** – Students will be dismissed directly from the assembly. They must leave the site promptly and will not return to lockers or form rooms afterwards.

## Attendance Expectations

Attendance remains vital during these final days of school. We ask all students to be in full attendance and **not to take time off to study at home**. This is when teachers are most available to offer guidance, lead revision sessions, and support students with any final questions or concerns. Being in school during this time ensures your child benefits from all the help available in the run-up to exams.

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### **GCSE Revision Masterclasses During Exam Leave**

To support students further, we have timetabled a final GCSE Revision Masterclass for each subject during the exam period. These sessions are carefully designed to boost confidence, reinforce key content, and ensure students are fully prepared.

Students will be **specifically invited** to these masterclasses based on need and focus, allowing them to make the most of each session. Personal invitations including time and date of the subject masterclass will be emailed directly by subject teachers to both students and parents. Attendance at these sessions will be strongly encouraged, and we hope students take full advantage of this valuable support.

### **Hoodies on WisePay reminder – Deadline 5 May**

As per my last week's email, Year 11 hoodies are now available to buy on WisePay. Most students have already pre-ordered one but for the order to be finalised with the company please make sure you have made the payment on WisePay by this Monday 5 May.

### **Prom Tickets reminder – Now Available**

We are also looking forward to celebrating with students at the Year 11 Prom. This is the first time we are holding such an event after Covid and it will be both a highlight of the summer term and a wonderful way to mark the end of their GCSE journey and public exams.

**Prom tickets are now available to purchase on WisePay.** We kindly ask that you book as early as possible to assist with final planning and arrangements.

Thank you for your continued support throughout this important year. If you have any questions regarding the end-of-term arrangements, exams, revision sessions, or the Prom, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

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