



Thursday 19th April 2018

Dear parents/ carers,

RE: Year 11 GCSE exams and leavers' events

This letter outlines our arrangements for year 11 students as their GCSE exams approach and key dates for your information.

For the next few weeks until **Monday 14th May**, we intend to run a full timetable **including period 6 lessons** to ensure that your child has the best possible chance of success in their forthcoming exams.

From **Monday 14th May until Friday 25th May** we will run a full timetable and replace period 6 with **revision sessions** for the exams that are taking place during that period of time. You will find a revision plan attached to this letter that outlines these sessions. During this period of time it is vital that your child attends school every day so that they receive key messages from their teachers.

In previous years a small number of parents have requested for their child to stay off school. Unfortunately we cannot allow students to do this as it is illegal. In addition, we know that students who stop attending school early do not achieve as well as those who remain to continue learning. As such we must make parents and students aware that any child who stops attending school will not be allowed to take part in the Leavers' assembly or to attend Year 11 Prom.

After half term, starting **Monday 4th June 2018** the normal school timetable for year 11 will be disbanded. Students will be required to attend for **revision sessions and exams only**. Details of these revision sessions are attached. We will however provide a quiet study space for those students who prefer to keep working in school.

We will send you regular text messages to update you. Please do check the school website and Twitter feed so that you are well informed during this crucially important time.

Your child has been given an individual exam entry timetable. Please ensure they have checked through this and know what they are expected to do and when.

Other Key Events

Year 11 Leavers' assembly Tuesday 26th June 2018, 2pm, Elgar Hall, Bournville School

This is a final celebration of your child's time at Bournville. This year we intend to give out Leavers' Hoodies to those who have purchased them. If you feel able to donate your child's blazer to the school we would be very grateful as this will help us provide uniform for other students in the future.

Year 11 Leavers' Prom Thursday 28th June 2018, arrival from 6.30pm for 7pm start, Birmingham Botanical Gardens

As you are aware, the Leavers' Prom is a ticket only event. These tickets will be given out at the Leavers' assembly to those students who have continued to meet our expectations for behaviour and attendance.

**GCSE results day Thursday 23rd August 2018, 9am-12pm.**

The day that all the hard work pays off! We will be distributing the 2018 Leavers' books on this day.

Finally, I know that parents/ carers already understand the importance of high attendance in this final, vital stage of school and would like to thank you for the support that you are giving to your child.

Can I take this opportunity to wish your child every success in the next few weeks. If I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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