



30th January 2022

Dear Year 11 Parent/Carer

Just a quick update for you regarding some key dates and details for you over the next six months that I spoke to the students about as a year group on Friday afternoon.

## Mock Exams

The next series of mock examinations are due to begin as planned the week beginning Monday 28th February. This is the second week back after half term. Students were all given bespoke 'next steps' folders on Friday that highlight for each subject the areas of revision they should be focusing on to help make improvements in the next exam series.

Unlike the exams before Christmas, we will not be giving as much guidance this time with regard to theme/subject of exam questions. We did this to build confidence, but it would be misguided to repeat this method as the exam specifications are wide and varied. Students are aware of content that they need to revise, which will only be content studied thus far. This will provide students with an invaluable experience that will mirror the 'real' exams in May to aid preparation. Students will be provided with an exam timetable before half term.

## Summer Exams

Dates for the summer exams have now been confirmed. More details will be provided closer to the time but to ensure holidays are booked at appropriate times, the GCSE and BTEC exam window runs from **Tuesday 10th May to Monday 27th June**.

## Year 11 Prom

After much discussion and consultation with our students I am delighted to confirm we have now booked a venue for the Year 11 Prom. Our students were thrilled when I informed them last week; it will certainly be a lovely way to celebrate the end of the exam period and the students' time at Armthorpe. They are a fantastic year group so we are hoping as many of them as possible will join us for the evening. The Prom will take place at Castle Park in Armthorpe on **Wednesday 29th June**. The venue is booked from 18:00-23:00 hours but further details will be confirmed nearer the time.

The evening will comprise of:

- A red carpet reception and non-alcoholic punch on arrival (parents welcome to meet and greet)
- A two course sit-down meal with full table decoration
- Award ceremony
- DJ and Disco

The venue normally caters for parties of 100 plus. There are 104 students in Year 11, not all of whom will want to attend. The venue have kindly worked with us to keep pricing as low as possible based on a minimum of 75 students. A full price of £29 per student is required by May 1st. To enable us to confirm numbers, a non-refundable deposit of £10 per student is required by March 1st. Payment options will be added to Parent Pay in the next few days.

As always, if you have any questions about any of the above, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards

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