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Dear Student & Parent/Carer,

I hope this letter finds you and your families well. At The King's School, we have been busy over recent weeks welcoming our Year 10 pupils back into school but I wanted to touch base at this point with some information regarding next steps for our current Year 11.

I have no doubt that you will continue to find the current situation a strange one and I hope that you have had a positive transition experience from our post-16 providers. We have been in dialogue with NEW College and Wakefield College in particular, and I know there has been bridging work provided for you to make the transition as smooth as possible. Despite this, of course there is still uncertainty over what is to come, but you may have seen yesterday that the government released guidance for the reopening of schools and colleges so I have no doubt that you will receive further information once this has been digested.

We are all acutely aware that since lockdown in March, you have not had the opportunity to have a 'normal' leavers experience from The King's School. As I have stated in previous correspondence, we are committed to investing time for you to do that as much as the guidance allows. That said, I would like to provide some information on the following:

## GCSE Results Day - Thursday 20th August 2020

In recent weeks we have made all submissions to the exam boards as requested and now await the results to be published in August. We want to give you all the results day experience you deserve and as much in keeping with what would have taken place in normal circumstances. Due to social distancing restrictions, we are unable to have large groups congregating together, so will invite you in to school by form group. Please see the table below for the scheduled times:

Form Group	Form Tutor	Arrival Time
11AKA	Mrs. Kaye	9.00am
11CLE	Mrs. Leeson	9.30am
11DTR	Mrs. Trundle	10.00am
11KYO	Miss. Young	10.30am
11NHA	Mrs. Hargreaves	11.00am
11SBU	Mrs. Buckingham	11.30am
11TEN	Mr. England	12.00pm
11ZCO	Mrs. Cole	12.30pm

**Note:** Pupils have moved tutor groups at some points in the year to allow for intervention. The group to be followed is the original form group they were in at the start of Year 11.

All pupils should arrive on time as we need to ensure that the form group 'bubbles' leave before the next group arrives. All pupils should arrive at the Mill Hill side of school (Gate 3) which is clearly signed and directly opposite the Main Hall. There will be staff present to guide pupils to the right place.



We are planning for the above but if there are any changes to the guidance or further information you need, we will communicate this with you as soon as is practical.

## Y11 Prom/Presentation Evening

In normal circumstances, we would have two key events for Year 11 – The Prom and Presentation Evening. I firmly believe that both these events form almost a 'rite of passage' for pupils as they leave secondary school, and again, we are committed to try and make this happen. Our plan is to combine these two events so that all Year 11 pupils have the opportunity to socialise with peers and receive their GCSE certificates. We have provisionally booked the King's Croft for <u>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December.</u> Whilst none of us know how December will look right now, I hope that we will be in a position to go ahead as planned. Further information will be provided in due course.

Finally, despite the fact we were unable to have leavers assemblies, we want to provide Year 11 pupils with the same experience as they would normally have. Leavers' hoodies are always popular and a lovely token of the time spent at The King's School. We are currently working with an online supplier to provide Year 11 leavers' hoodies for those pupils that would like one, further information will be shared with you in due course.

I would like to take this opportunity again to thank you for your support over recent months and, indeed over the last five years. We have lived through a situation that we could not have predicted but the way in which the Year 11 pupils have responded is credit to them and to you as parents/carers.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. Dominic Pinto Head of School