



THE KING'S SCHOOL

20 May 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 11 End of Year Arrangements

I hope this letter finds you and your families well at a time where we are all optimistic that there is light at the end of the tunnel! The last two weeks have seen our Year 11 students completing their final assessments and I would like to congratulate them on how they have conducted themselves. At the end of a difficult 12 months for them, they have been exemplary and an absolute credit to you. I would also like to thank you for your continued support in helping them prepare for their assessments at such a unique time.

Leavers Date

As previously communicated, the leavers date for Year 11 is Friday, 11 June. This is the final date that students could be requested to attend school. All assessments will be completed tomorrow, Friday, 21 May. For the rest of this week and during the week commencing Monday, 24 May, all Year 11 students will be required to attend school as normal. In lessons, they will consolidate key knowledge, complete bridging work to help with post-16 transition and learn new content that extends beyond the GCSE specifications. Next week will also provide us with an opportunity to work with individual students studying vocational courses to ensure all coursework is complete prior to submitting Teacher Assessed Grades. Attendance is compulsory and any unauthorised absences may result in your child being unable to attend our leavers celebrations.

During the final week commencing Monday, 7 June students will only be required in school if specifically requested and we would communicate that directly with you. This would be if they needed to complete any outstanding work. For the majority of students who do not need to be in that week, we will be running a series of online sessions delivered by members of the Senior Leadership Team and external partners. There will be an online Taster Session delivered by Wakefield College and a number of masterclasses focused on writing job applications and CVs, preparing for personal statements, aspiring to attend university and a 'Principles of I-Heart' workshop. All sessions will run live through Google Classroom and students will be given details in school.

Leavers' Celebrations

Our 'Leavers Celebration Day' will take place on Friday, 28 May. Students will be expected to be school at normal times but the day will be very different! This is the final time all Year 11 students will be in school together and we want to ensure that have a great experience. The day will be very different to the 'norms' of a leavers assembly but the exact details will remain a surprise to our Y11 students! Normal school uniform is expected (shirt signing is a rite of passage!).

Hoodies & Prom

I am delighted that we have received orders for over 140 leavers hoodies. I always feel it says a lot when I see ex-students of The King's School wearing these with pride in the local community. We are still able to take late requests but the absolute deadline would be Friday, 21 May at 12pm. If you would like to do this, please email Mrs Curran – scurran@kings.patrust.org.uk

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Our Prom is provisionally booked to take place at The King's Croft on Wednesday, 14 July. As we are all aware, this is subject to the criteria outlined in the 'roadmap out of lockdown'. We will continue to monitor this in the coming weeks. Should we not be able to hold the event or not feel that we are in a safe enough position to do so, we do have a presentation evening scheduled for the start of the next academic year. We would look to adapt this to allow for our students to have the normal prom experience.

Thank you once again for your continued support. We are extremely proud of our Year 11 cohort and of the character they have shown this year. They are a credit to you and the school.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Langston', with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Miss P Langston
Deputy Headteacher