

17th May 2021

Our Ref: JH/LSM

Dear Year 11 Students, Parents & Carers

Re: End of Year Information

I am writing to you in what has been a most challenging year for a wonderful group of students. The purpose of this letter is to provide you with some information on the end of their time here at Goole Academy.

Before I provide details on some of the key points, I would like to start by saying how fantastic the students have been this year. Of all the year groups in school at this moment in time, this group have had to deal with the greatest level of disruption. They lost a good proportion of Year 10 due to the first national lockdown, and since moving to Year 11 there have been further difficulties with additional lockdowns, remote learning and periods of isolation for many. Despite all that, they have risen to every challenge. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to have worked with them during this crucial time in their education. All our staff have nothing but praise for their general conduct and application.

You may have questions about how this year will end for students. I'm hoping to be able to answer some of these questions in this letter. I'm sure in some cases, this communication may prompt further questions. As you know, guidance from government can change, however, the staff team and I will do all we can to make this a pleasant experience for all.

Centre Assessed Grades

We are currently working hard to ensure we get out our Centre Assessed Grades to exam boards. Once they have been submitted, they will make decisions about the results students receive. At this stage, this is all I can tell you about grades. Please see our school website for guidance on how grades will be calculated this year or for further information please see this link which guides you through the process we follow. <https://www.jcq.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/JCQ-Guidance-for-Students-and-Parents-on-Summer-2021.pdf>

Evidence Gathering and Celebration Assembly

Due to the nature of this year, we may still need evidence from some students beyond half term. At present, we are working on a passport system where curriculum leaders sign off students as completed in their subject areas. Once students have secured evidence in all areas, and it has been agreed by SLT, they may commence study leave. That said, on **Friday 28th May** we will be holding a celebration assembly. On this day, Year 11 students will **finish at 12.00pm**.

Leavers Hoodies

These are now coming to school. Miss Pepper will coordinate their distribution. If you have any questions, Miss Pepper will be their first point of contact.

Celebration Event

To replace Prom, we are holding a celebration barbeque here on the school site. This will take place on **Thursday 24th June 2021 from 5- 8pm**. There will be a small charge for those students who wish to attend. We will discuss this with students and place on ParentPay.

College Applications

As you can imagine, we want to ensure that all students are fully prepared for the next stage in their lives. If you require any further support with this, we are happy to help. For further information please contact Suzanne Mason at Suzanne.mason@careersinc.co.uk

Returning/Recycling Revision Guides

We are running on a very tight budget in school at this moment in time and we are always looking for ways to cut costs and be environmentally friendly. If you have any textbooks or revision guides you would like us to recycle/reuse, then please hand these in at Main Reception. We would obviously sanitise these before reissuing them.

Uniform

It is always helpful to have a large stock to lend when students forget things. If you have any uniform you would like to donate (in particular Delta blazers, jumpers, shirts and ties) these can also be handed in at our Main Reception. Again, these will be washed thoroughly before reissuing.

Results Day

This year, results day will be held on **Thursday 12th August** in the Main Hall. Collection will be available **from 9.30am to 12.00pm**. Parents/relatives may collect results on behalf of students who are unable to attend themselves, if this is the case, please ensure the slip below is completed and signed by the student. This needs to be brought in on results day for our records, in order for results to be issued.

And finally...

On behalf of all staff, I would like to say thank you for your support and cooperation during your time at Goole Academy. The children have been wonderful! Please do have a great summer and look after yourselves and your families. The staff and I are very much hoping to see you on 12th August.

In the meantime, if you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact us here at school.

Yours sincerely



Julian Harrison
Principal

Collection of GCSE Certificates, 12th August 2021 (if unable to collect in person)

I (student name), give permission for (name of person collecting) my (relationship to student) to collect my examination results on my behalf. **Signature of student**