

5th June 2020

Dear Year 11s

I hope that you and your loved ones are safe and well. I would like to thank the many of you who have sent personal messages to me and other teachers - especially the ones I got at the start of what have been the exam period (with the clock attached!!)

The latest updates from Stopsley and the wider picture remain unclear, as I am sure you know. However I will try to provide you with updates on where we are.

Exam Results - The process is nearing completion and we will shortly be sending off school grades for Ofqual and the exam boards to process. As you know we cannot share these with you and the exam boards are likely to make adjustments to ensure that there is fairness across the country. At present we are planning what results day will look like on Thursday 20th August and also considering if this needs to be a socially distanced or more 'normal' event.

Prom - I think it is clear that the year group gathering that we hoped to have to celebrate the end of school is likely to be considered unsafe and unwise. Although it is not official, it seems likely the government guidance and common sense will not allow this event to take place. I know many of you, like me, will be extremely disappointed about this, but I wanted to give you fair warning as you will have plans to undo. It is better to know sooner than later. In truth I would guess that most of you have already worked this out for yourselves.

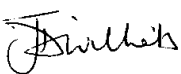
Hoodies - Just before you left Stopsley you were told Prestige, our School uniform supplier, was selling the leavers hoodies this year. We handed out a flyer and that told you how to purchase the hoodies directly online. I called Prestige this morning and they have sold lots of hoodies to our students. If you want to buy one you can still do so, just visit the Prestige website. When they are ready we will let you know.

Preparation for next year - Last time I wrote to you I included some advice and 'bridging tasks' for you to undertake in anticipation of the courses and destinations you are hoping to go to. A link to the letter is here https://docs.google.com/document/d/1YbbzfjIEiSV4B5YdQuvd6ZLj_ETnrqfxGfhWlnFAROI/edit so that you can continue to try these things. It is really important that you do try to keep your brains working hard and keep yourselves doing some hard thinking. Please do contact us if you want to know anything at all about next year. The careers office and teachers are still available to you all, so please just ask if you need anything.

Lockers - we need to set up a way for you to collect your locker contents and get your key deposit back. I am currently working on this with the site and finance teams and it is likely that we will give you a slot to come in and collect your belongings at which point we will give you your locker key deposit back. If you have any other school things that you need to return or wish to donate to us (text books, revision guides, old uniform or PE kit for example) you could drop them off at the same time.

You are a unique and talented group of people who I know will get through this current situation and ultimately be stronger for it - the quality of your character will guarantee it.

Please stay safe



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