19 August 2020

Dear Year 11s

I am writing for two reasons. First to tell you about Results Day, and secondly, to give you what I hope is very welcome news that we have booked your Prom now for Friday 25 September at Oake Golf Club from 6pm onwards. I hope you will all make it and look forward so much to seeing you all looking gorgeous as I know you will. Please see letter attached with details of the arrangements and how to buy tickets etc.

We will have your Prom ticket and Year Book with your GCSE results to collect on Results Day, Thursday 20 August.

Arrangements for Results Day in order to maintain safe distancing:

- Staff in school to support you will be SLT, Heads of House and, if possible, tutors.
- Please see below for your time slot (alphabetically by surname) to collect your results so that we can ensure safe distancing.
- If you miss your time, your results will be posted to you, so please do not come in late and hope to collect them. We will not be able to let you in as we will have other students in by then and also have Year 10s awaiting results.

Sadly, we cannot allow you to congregate either as we would usually but would respectfully ask that you collect your results and leave the site so we do not break any government rules about schools having no more than 25% of the year group in at any one time until September (when ironically we can have the entire school back).

	11R1/11R2	1101/1102	11B	11Y	11M	11G
	Old Hall	Old Dance Studio	New Hall	Drama Studio	Library	Qdos Dance
9.00-9.30	A – G	A - B	A - E	A – F	A – G	A - F
9.40-10.10	H - O	C - G	F - M	G – N	H - P	H - M
10.20-10.50	P – S	H – M	N - Z	O – Z	Q - Z	P - Z
11.00-11.30	T - Z	N - Z				

It has been very difficult for all of us this year and we have had to apply a rigorous moderation system against previous years' performance in order for grades to be accepted by exam boards. I am very hopeful that these will be accepted without question. If, when you open your results, you are disappointed, we will be there to support for you and help you decide your next steps. We hope to have representatives from RHC and BTC on site as well to advise you if needed.

If you have any text books or uniform (clean and in good condition of course) that you are happy to pass on, please bring them on Results Day. We also have some English books that you may have paid for and the English department will have them ready for you to collect. If you no longer wish to have them, they will be donated to grateful Year 10s.

You will also be able to empty your lockers on Results Day. If you do not empty them when you collect your results we will unfortunately have to dispose of the contents as we have new students starting and the lockers will need to be cleaned. Please remember to bring any keys to padlocks etc and ask a member of staff before going to your locker so that someone can accompany you.

One further note regarding coursework, in case you were hoping to collect Art work or DT. Coursework is to be retained by the school until after the results have been published and the appeals window has closed - this is because if there are queries about any individual student's grade the whole cohort's work must be available for comparison. We will return all work at the Presentation Evening in November.

In the meantime, I hope you are enjoying the long summer holiday and keeping yourself safe and well, preparing for college and doing any pre-college work that will help you get a step up. If you are finding things difficult and need help, you know we are always here for you but there are other helplines at the end of this letter.

Very best wishes

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Health and Wellbeing:

- https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/publications
- http://www.sharesomerset.co.uk
- https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/stress-anxiety-depression/worried-about-your-teenager/

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- https://www.huish.ac.uk/faqs-regarding-september-2020-admissions/
- There are also some initial study and wellbeing ideas, that we hope will engage and stimulate those who are keen to get going in extending and preparing themselves for Post-16 study https://www.huish.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Year-11-extending-learning-ideasfinal.pdf