

19 May 2021

Dear parent/carer

Re: Year 11 Update

I am writing to share information with you regarding arrangements for Year 11 for the remainder of this academic year.

On the morning of Friday 28 May, we are very much looking forward to holding a leavers' assembly and shirt signing event for Year 11 students. Year 11 students will leave the Academy on Friday 28 May at 12.40pm. School buses will not be available at this time but your child is welcome to remain in the Academy, with their usual class teacher during the afternoon, if they need to use school transport home at 3.00pm. Please contact us at the Academy if you would like this provision for your child.

Although on-site education will end on Friday 28 May, your child may be required to attend the Academy following this date in order to complete any outstanding coursework or assessments. We will contact you directly where this applies to your child in order to make these arrangements. In addition, we can continue to make arrangements for your child to attend school if they are in a vulnerable category. If you are unsure if this applies to your child or you would like to enquire about a place, please contact us.

We will continue to offer optional learning activities for your child until Friday 25 June via Microsoft Teams, in line with Government guidance. Activities will include MOOCs (online learning modules), careers and transitional materials for Post 16. These materials will be available for your child to work on independently and will be placed into the Year 11 Group on Microsoft Teams. In addition to this, we will continue to complete well-being calls for your child until this date. Please contact us at the Academy if your child would like to borrow a laptop for this duration in order to complete this work.

Year 11 students have the option to purchase a leaver's hoodie at a cost of £23.99. These are available to purchase via an online shop. We will share the link to the shop via text message as soon as this is set up. Hoodies will be delivered to the Academy and we will notify students of when they are available for collection.

We are looking forward to celebrating with Year 11 at our Leavers' Party. We plan to hold this on Thursday 15 July at The Dukeries Academy, from 6-9pm. Tickets for the event will be £20 and will be available to purchase shortly via School Money. The ticket price will include food, drink and a disco. Students are welcome to attend in Prom attire and the dress code for the evening is smart. We will share further information regarding the event, closer to the time.

Finally, I would like to congratulate Year 11 students on the way in which they have risen to their challenge of this academic year and thank parents and carers for all your support. We are very proud of our students and would like to wish them all the very best for their future.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'LMG', with a small flourish at the end.

Miss Lindsey Maycock
KS4 Standards and Progress Leader