



12 March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

As we move towards the middle of another busy term at St Katherine's for Year 11 pupils, we would like to take this opportunity to share some key pieces of information with you as we begin the countdown to the final examinations. Year 11 pupils have shown considerable determination and tenacity since January and it is fantastic to see so many of our young people working with staff both at lunchtime and after school to improve their grades. Their effort in the mock exams was highly commendable. This dedication to their studies will be rewarded in August.

Revision for final examinations

Through the "Year 11 Learning Classroom" we have shared with your child a timetable giving each pupil a breakdown of all revision and coursework sessions that are planned for the next two terms. They will also have a timetable showing the dates of the summer GCSE examinations.

Rewards Programme

The Year 11 **"Prom Passport"** reward scheme has now been launched. The aim of this scheme, outlined to pupils, is to promote and reward effort, resilience, behaviour and attendance at revision sessions. This scheme will be monitored by tutors and Mrs Maringo as the Y11 Lead.

Prom Passport points

As part of the Prom Passport, teachers will record the achievements of Year 11 pupils by awarding 'Prom Passport points' on Class Charts. There are six categories for the 'Prom Passport points' being awarded: community contribution, independent study, sustained and consistent effort, excellent achievement, excellent attendance, outstanding classwork, and attendance at revision sessions. A fortnightly prize draw (£5 Amazon Vouchers X2) will be made where any pupil with at least 15 points has the chance of winning the voucher. At the end of Term 5 two students with the most points will receive their ticket to the Prom free of charge.

Year 11 Leavers Day and Prom - Tuesday 23 June

A special programme has been arranged for the Year 11 Leavers Day (8.40am-1.25pm) Pupils should wear non-uniform and optional fancy dress! The day will feature a special assembly, entertainment and a BBQ.

The venue for the Prom (7-11pm) will be the beautiful Leigh Court in Abbots Leigh. This is a fantastic opportunity for our pupils to celebrate the official end to Year 11 in style. Smart dress must be worn and seeing pupils in suits and ball gowns is a really fitting and formal way to celebrate this milestone. Pupils will be expected to make their own appropriate travel arrangements to and from the venue.

Tickets for the Prom are £37.50, this includes venue hire, 2 course meal and a disco for the evening. A private bar will be open throughout the evening selling non-alcoholic drinks.

Payment details

Prom tickets (£37.50) are now available via ParentPay. You can pay for the Prom in two instalments:

Instalment 1 - £20 by 31 March 2020 Final balance - £17.50 by 15 May 2020

The final deadline for all payments is 12.00 noon, **Friday 15 May 2020**.

Leavers' Hoodies and Yearbook

Leavers Hoodies and Yearbooks have been increasingly popular over the years, so we are giving pupils an opportunity to buy these items to remind them of their time at St Katherine's School. A choice of colour and size of hoodies is now available to purchase on ParentPay.

Leaver Hoodies - £21.50 by 15 May 2020 Yearbook - £9.50 by 15 May 2020

Before final payments for the Prom can be accepted, it is essential that you first clear any outstanding debts, including, library fines, transport fees, dinner money debts, and any other outstanding amounts on Parent Pay. Please email finance@skdrive.org if you have any questions about payment.

Should you have any questions about any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Head of House.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Maringo, Year 11 Lead

Miss Andrews (Head of Yousafzai), Mr Murdoch (Head of Pankhurst), Mrs Price (Head of Turing), Mr Thomas (Head of Stephenson).