



Year 11 Parent Bulletin – Friday 23 February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the journey and preparations continue for the Summer 2024 examinations continues, I wanted to express my delight in how Year 11 students have conducted themselves during this demanding period. It has also been wonderful to see how engaged students are during lessons, working hard to ensure they are organised and well-equipped for their upcoming final exams. In addition, the recent (and final) mock exams have provided students with the opportunity to apply their knowledge and exam techniques, which they'll get feedback on shortly from their subject teachers. With all the mock exams now complete and with students having experienced receiving their mock GCSE results in an assembly last half term as they would in the summer, all eyes now are on the Summer exams. To continue supporting students with their studies, I would like to remind you of the after-school sessions available to Year 11 students (3:20 – 4:00pm):

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Food Technology	Business Studies	Computer Science	Maths	Drama
History	English	Science	Photography	
Geography		Art	Textiles	
Media Studies*		GCSE PE*	Languages	
Product Design				

All students have been issued a 'Passport to the Prom'. When a student attends a revision session, they can ask their teacher to sign their 'Passport' to confirm their attendance. Not only does this equate to free photographs at Prom, but it may also support students in demonstrating their efforts to attend revision sessions, which in turn will support their efforts to place themselves in the 'Green' category of the Celebration Day criteria (see below).

Year 11 Celebration Day – Monday 8 July 2024

Whilst the Summer exams should be the focus for all students, planning is taking place in the background to organise the Year 11 Celebration Day on Monday 8 July. In keeping with past traditions, this will consist of shirt signing, the distribution of Leavers Hoodies and Year Books, and (a final!) celebration assembly within school. The day concludes with the Year 11 Prom. Whilst we would like all students to attend and celebrate the past five years, it has been stressed to students that this will be by invitation only, with the following criteria regularly shared with students:

Criteria	Green	Amber	Red
Attendance	Excellent	Improvement Required	Poor
Punctuality	Excellent	Improvement Required	Poor
Behaviour	Excellent	Improvement Required	Poor
Attendance to Revision Sessions	Excellent	Improvement Required	Poor
Uniform	Excellent	Improvement Required	Poor
Average	Celebration Day Invite	SLT Decision	Not Invited

As there are five areas of criteria, the overall category will be determined on an average basis. The above criteria has been applied to the past two half terms (Autumn 2, and Spring 1) and where students have not fallen into the 'green' category, students will be informed where specifically they need to show improvements. Parents/Carers will also be notified by letter where this is the case.

This half term (up until Easter) is the final opportunity for students to give themselves the best possible chance of being successful by attending and being punctual to school, demonstrating excellent behaviour and attitude in lessons attending additional revision/intervention sessions, and are wearing their full uniform at all times. I hope you will agree that the criteria to earn an invite to the Celebration Day events is not an unreasonable expectation especially for students about to undertake their GCSE examinations.

More information will be shared regarding the Celebration Day after Easter, including purchasing tickets for the Prom.

Year 11 Year Book

Over the past few weeks, Year 11 students have been invited to contribute to their Year Book. In recent years, students have loved contributing photos and messages to their Year Book, as well as nominating students for awards, and (carefully) identifying celebrity look-a-likes for their teachers. Whilst the deadline for their responses has passed, students have until Monday 4 March to submit any final group friendship photographs to be included, by sending them as attachments to yearbook@northleamington.co.uk.

Finally, a reminder that Year Books can be purchased for £23 each on ParentPay (www.parenmtpay.com) with the deadline being **Monday 4 March 2024**.

Please note: Working with our supplier we are endeavouring to complete the work so that the books can be printed and delivered in time for the Celebration Day means **there can be only one print run; it will not be possible to place additional orders after Monday 4 March.**

Year 11 Subject Evening

Monday 18 March 2024 (4.30pm – 7pm)

A reminder of the upcoming Year 11 Subject Evening on **Monday 18 March 2024**. Further information will be sent out next week regarding making appointments, which will be from Monday 4 March 2024. I strongly urge all parents and carers to make appointments with subject teachers, and attend with their child, to gain valuable feedback to support progress over the next few months.

Thank you for your continued support, and have a lovely weekend!



Mr. Butler