

Dear Parents

Year 11 Leaving Arrangements

As you are aware, we are fast approaching this year's final set of GCSE examinations and, sadly, the end of your son or daughter's time with us at Testwood Sports College.

As in previous years, there is no formal period of study leave and the Year 11 students must continue to attend school until they have completed all of their exams. Therefore, your son or daughter will not officially finish school until they have sat all of their personal exams.

The reason for this is that we want to ensure that subject teachers provide teaching and revision right up to the exams in their subject area. From Monday 11th May, where exams have been finished in a subject, supervised private study lessons for revision will be run in designated rooms.

Exams

As always, all students are expected to wear full school uniform in exams and in school.

Please could you help to make sure your son or daughter is fully prepared by having the correct equipment with them for each exam. All students will need a BLACK pen, a pencil, ruler, eraser, compass, protractor and a calculator.

Also, could you please remind them that all communication devices, including phones, iPods, MP3/MP4 player and iWatches, must be completely switched off and not on their person. Possession of unauthorised items is a serious offence and could result in disqualification from the exam and overall qualification.

Finally, a good night's sleep and a healthy breakfast are strongly recommended for every student!

The final exam for the Year 11 students this year is on **Friday 19th June 2015**.

Final Year 11 Assembly

We are planning to hold our final Year 11 assembly on **Friday 19th June** from 2pm to 3:30pm.

The assembly will include performances, farewell messages from staff as well as a celebration of their five years at Testwood Sports College. There will also be light refreshments provided, as well as an opportunity for shirt signing.

All students who have got to the end of year 11, by being in school and have demonstrated positive and exemplary behaviour in their exams and within the school day will be invited to attend, and it will be a wonderful way to celebrate their time at Testwood Sports College with their friends, peers and staff. Students will not be expected to wear school uniform to attend this event but of course appropriate attire will be required.

Prom

As you are already aware, this year's prom will be held at Steeple Court Manor, Botley on **Wednesday 1st July** from 7:00pm to 11:00pm. In the past, the prom has always been a fantastic event and thoroughly enjoyed by all those who attend.

As was promised at the start of the year as a result of the change in our school uniform, should your child wish to donate their school blazer to the school, there will be £5 deducted off the price of the prom ticket. To do this, your son or daughter will need to bring the blazer, which will need to be in good condition, and hand it into the school nurse. She will then complete a proforma and a cheque will be sent to your home address as soon as possible.

Results Day

Your son or daughter's GCSE results will be able to be collected on **Thursday, 20th August 2015**.

The results can be collected in the Main Hall between 10am and 12pm only. The results can either be collected by your son or daughter or by another person nominated by you.

If you would like someone else to collect the results for your son or daughter, you must write a letter for them to bring with them, explain who they are and whose results they will be collecting. It must also clearly state that you give permission for that person to collect the results on your behalf. The person who is collecting the results must also bring identification to prove they are the person you have named in the letter.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support during the past five years at Testwood Sports College and wish your son or daughter every success in the exams and the future.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Pitman