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12 June 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

RE: YEAR 11

I would like to take this opportunity to say a massive thank you for all the support you have provided your child in their journey throughout their time at The Gateway Academy. It has been an incredible year to date and we are really proud of our Year 11 cohort.

The exam season is in full swing and with effect from Friday 16 June 2023, there will be some changes to the timings of the school day for our current Year 11 students. On this day students will be allowed to leave site after their Science exam unless they have a Geography exam in the afternoon. For those students there will be boosters' sessions as normal to help them prepare for the exam. Starting the week beginning Monday 19 June 2023, Year 11 students will only need to be on site if they have an exam booster or GCSE Examination, Design and Technology and Further Maths. Also a small number of students who are completing exams in different languages or Hospitality and Catering.

We have finalised the cost of the yearbook with the company printing these and the cost per book is £6.00. This should be paid via ParentPay by **Friday 30 June 2023**. The Year 11 Yearbook is specifically designed for your son/daughter to have lasting memories of their time here at The Gateway Academy. You will have staff comments and photographs and quotes from peers. It is a great keepsake to have.

As previously advised, the Year 11 Graduation will be held here at The Gateway Academy on Friday 23 June 2023 at 2.00 pm. We anticipate this to be approximately an hour long. Those students who have been invited are welcome to bring two adult guests with them. We will then welcome you to the Courtyard Café afterwards for nibbles and refreshments for a short reception. Please enter the Academy's building under the ramp and staff will direct you to the Ellis Theatre from there for a 2.00 pm start. Please note that students **will not** be able to do shirt signing on Friday 16 June but we invite students to bring a shirt in with them to the Graduation so they can be signed then. The dress code for Graduation will be smart dress.

On Thursday 29 June 2023, we will be holding the Year 11 Prom at Orsett Hall. There is an opportunity to meet here at the Academy for a pre prom reception from 5.30 pm, which will give students and parents/carers a chance to take photographs. From 6.30 pm onwards students will be directed to make their way to Orsett Hall for a 7.00 pm start. Students are welcome to go directly to the venue at 7.00 pm if they would prefer to do so. The Prom will be finished at 11.00 pm and all students will need to be picked up promptly at this time. Please make the necessary arrangements for this.

Finally, if students have any revision guides that other students might be able to make use of, there is a box kept in the library for the Year 11 students to drop these off. Also if any students would like to donate ties and / or blazers we would really appreciate their help.

Whilst writing, we would like to wish your child every success in the next stage of their education be that College and / or an apprenticeship and to let them know how proud we are of them.

Thank you again for your support and for choosing us to provide your child with their education. We look forward to welcoming you at the Year 11 Graduation Celebration Ceremony on Friday 23 June 2023. If, in the meantime, you have any questions with regards to this letter, then please do not hesitate to contact me at The Gateway Academy on telephone 01375 489000 or via email at laura.bruce@theglc.org.uk or Mrs Fuller at anna.fuller@theglc.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

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