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Dear Parent/ Carer and Student

I would like to take this opportunity to keep you informed about the important events involving Year 11 students over the next few weeks and months. There is a great deal of crucial information here; please read this letter carefully and retain it for future reference.

Last Day of Term - Thursday 12th May

Thursday 12th May is the last day of school for Year 11 students. It will be a non-uniform day for the year group and students are welcome to bring in one of their school shirts for their friends and teachers to sign. It is not appropriate, especially in light of our current awareness campaign regarding sexual harassment, for students to be signing shirts that students are wearing.

We will be having a Leavers' Assembly on the final day, led by Mr Skinner and Miss Anderson, to give students a chance to reflect on their time at Bexley Grammar School. Students will then be dismissed for the last time at approximately 11.30am.

This means that Wednesday 11th May will be the very last full day of lessons for the year group. Students must attend as normal in full school uniform and with all appropriate equipment for their lessons.

I very much want our year group to leave in a dignified, mature manner after their last week of school; the Headteacher has made it clear that he will not tolerate any disruption to the rest of the school.

Exam Contingency Day 2022

The awarding bodies have designated Wednesday 29 June 2022 as a 'contingency day' for examinations. The designation of a 'contingency day' within the common examination timetable is in the event of national or significant local disruption to examinations in the United Kingdom. It is part of the awarding bodies' standard contingency planning for examinations. Students must remain available until Wednesday 29 June 2022 should an awarding body need to invoke its contingency plan.

Communication

We may need to communicate with students after next week and we will do this via their school email account. I would, therefore, like to remind students to check their emails regularly, at least once a week.

Sixth Form Induction

We expect you to attend the Sixth Form Induction Day. This is currently planned for **28th and 29th June 2022. Please plan your holidays for after this date.** This day is a vital part of the transition to the Sixth Form and further details of this event will be provided soon. In addition, we will release pre-course preparation materials on the school website following the May half term break, which students may use to prepare themselves over the summer.

Yearbook and Hoodies

The Yearbook Team and Miss Anderson have been working hard to produce a memorable Yearbook. Hoodies have also been ordered and both of these items will be distributed the week beginning 2nd May. These will be done during the school day. Hoodies are not permitted to be worn during school or the exams but are fine for the last day as part of their non uniform.

Year 11 Riverboat Trip – Monday July

On Monday 4th July, the Year 11 Riverboat Trip will take place. Kindly arrive no later than 6.30 pm. The boat leaves from Greenwich Pier promptly at 6.45 pm and we are unable to delay it to wait for latecomers. The Trip will return at 11.00 pm. I hope to see many students on the trip as a final celebration in Year 11.

Results Day – 25th August 2022 – Information for Students

Students may collect their results at school from 9.00 am to 11.00 am from the Canteen area. If you wish someone else to collect the results on your behalf, then that person should be provided with a written note, signed by the student (not the parent) authorising the collection. The Examinations Officer should also be informed before you go on study leave.

Results will also be sent directly to each student's school email address via SIMs InTouch later the same day. Mrs Bono (bono_a@bexleygs.co.uk) will be available on this day to contact should any problems arise. Details of the school's examination appeals process will be with results on 25th.

Securing your Sixth Form place for September 2022

We will be operating an **online enrollment process from 25th August**. Further details will follow later this term including how to confirm your place as well as the process for making any amendments to courses before the start of the Autumn term. **If students are already planning to make any course amendments**, it would be very helpful to speak to or email Mrs Aspill in the School Office (aspill_c@bexleygs.co.uk) before the end of the academic year.

Thank you

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents for their support of the entire Year Team over the past 5 years. The students in Year 11 are dynamic, independent learners with whom it has been a pleasure and privilege to work with and teach. We would also like to express our gratitude to all staff at Bexley Grammar School who have worked extremely hard to ensure that all of the year group have been given every opportunity to fulfil their potential.

Finally, we would like to wish all students the very best of luck in their next steps and look forward to seeing them at the induction and then in September.

Yours sincerely

Mr Skinner
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