

Dear Parent/Carer

## **RE: Year 11 Final Day and Prom**

I am writing with an update of how we wish to help Year 11 celebrate their time at Magna Academy.

As you will be aware from previous communication, Year 11 will have their last day at the academy on Thursday 27th May. I can now offer you more information about the format of that day. Students will be expected to come to the academy in their usual uniform and at the usual start time. They will have a virtual leavers assembly during the morning and will attend their usual timetabled lessons until 1pm. At this point students will be escorted to the quad area for an outdoor gathering and celebration. This will be their opportunity to sign one another's shirts and say farewell to their tutors. They will then leave the academy at 1.30pm. The barbeque that had previously been planned will no longer be taking place.

In light of the changes to government guidance and the easing of social restrictions, as well as the enthusiasm of Year 11 for this to happen, we are excited to offer Year 11 the usual rite of passage of a prom. This will take place on Friday 2nd July and will be held at Magna Academy. The start time will be 7pm and it will finish, with collections to be arranged for 10pm. There will be food and drink available at the event. This will now be Year 11's opportunity to gather and celebrate and is therefore the reason why the leavers barbeque will no longer take place on Thursday 27th May.

We understand that family circumstances are varied and that the costs associated with attending a prom can be challenging. As a way to support our students in their celebrations, we have a collection of prom outfits that are available for hire. There are a range of dresses, suits and accessories that are available. If you would like to know any more information about this opportunity, please contact Mrs Bleeze with any queries you may have via email mbleeze@magna-aspirations.org

In order to plan and account for any costs for this event, can I please ask that you complete the <u>Google Form</u> stating an intention to attend. This is not a confirmation of payment and attendance but to assist with planning the event. Please ensure completion of this form no later than Monday 24th May. We estimate the ticket price to be in the region of £20 per student for this event. This will be confirmed once bookings have been made. It will be at this stage that tickets can be purchased and payment will be taken online via ParentPay.

We have been very impressed with the attitude and conduct of Year 11 since returning to the Academy. However, I must make it clear that any inappropriate behaviour during the final days of Year 11 will result in students not being able to attend the prom. If students are not appropriately behaving or dressed on their last day, they will be sent home earlier than the finish time and not invited to attend prom. While we appreciate that this is an exciting moment for Year 11, we would like to remind them that there are still expectations to be met within the academy and that other students are still learning.

As Year 11 leaves and another cohort joins us in Year 7, can I ask if you have any items of uniform that you wish to donate to the academy to please do so via Main Reception. This will really help our student support team.

I would also like to remind you that GCSE results day will take place on Thursday 12th August. Communication regarding arrangements for that day will be shared later in the Summer Term.

Finally, I would like to say that it has been an absolute joy and delight to support Year 11 over the last two years and I wish each and every one of them success in their future endeavours. They have grown into exceptional young adults ready for their next stage.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs T Cook Head of Year 11





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