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Dear Parent

Re: Year 11 Arrangements

With a busy few weeks ahead, I wanted to outline some key dates and important information which I hope will prove helpful. You will be aware of the various revision sessions / interventions due to take place over the Easter holidays, and the ongoing revision sessions that will continue to take place up until the examination season starts (date below). To complement this, we continue to encourage students to follow a comprehensive revision timetable at home in order to prepare for the imminent summer examinations.

Useful links:

Revision timetable: [Year 11 Making it Count – Formby High School](#)

Easter School: <https://www.formbyhighschool.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Easter-Revision-Letter-2023.pdf>

Summer 2023 GCSE examination timetable: [Examinations – Formby High School](#)

The Start of Examination Season

The Summer 2023 GCSE examination timetable is now available on the school website (link above). Your son / daughter also has a copy of their personalised timetable. You will note that the first written examination takes place on 15.05.2023. From this date, until official study leave commences (26.05.2023) students are entitled to remain at home for a full morning / afternoon study leave session prior to each examination.

For morning examinations, students can sign out at the end of period 3 the day before. For afternoon examinations, they can remain at home the morning of the examination, before being registered in the examination hall 15 minutes before the examination commences.

During this period, unless students are on study leave or sitting an examination, they must attend **all** lessons, regardless of what time examinations finish. This will ensure that in-class learning and revision time is maximised.

From 26.05.2023, all Year 11 students will be entitled to official study leave and are expected to be in school for examinations only. As a reminder, the arrival time for examinations is as follows:

- 9:15am for morning sessions
- 1:15pm for afternoon sessions

Students must arrive at their examination room at this time to ensure a prompt 9:30am / 1:30pm start; they should wear full school uniform and arrive fully equipped.

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Year 11 Prom

Our Year 11 Prom Committee have worked hard to develop their ideas for this year's event. Outlined below are the arrangements for the evening:

- The Prom will take place on 29.06.2023 at Aintree Racecourse.
- We advise students to arrive at school for 5:45pm. This will allow time for photographs (and 'paparazzi') outside the drama studio before the coaches depart at 6:30pm. Parents are invited to the campus to share the build-up and excitement before the students depart.
- As I am sure you can appreciate, space will be at a premium with the number of students and staff involved, and coaches to take the students to the event. Entry onto the school campus will be from 5:45pm and any parents/friends dropping students off will be directed to car parking at the rear of the school. Cars will only be allowed to exit the campus once the coaches have departed at approximately 6:30pm.
- Any parents who are not staying should drop off on Freshfield Road, as there will be no facility to turn around once inside the campus gates.
- Please note that any hired transport will be permitted onto the site and allowed to exit as soon as they have dropped off.
- Students will return to school at approximately 10:45pm. Please ensure that suitable arrangements are in place for your daughter/son to get home safely.
- Your daughter/son will require enough money to purchase soft drinks at the venue.
- Please note that Aintree Racecourse is a cashless venue.
- The cost of the event is £50.00, inclusive of transport, a two-course buffet meal, disco, balloons, flower wall and photobooth.
- The photobooth available during the evening allows students to access unlimited prints.

Please note that attendance at the Year 11 Prom is subject to students maintaining a positive Achievement Points balance (difference between Rewards and Behaviour Points) between the Rewards Reset initiative (which took place on 21.02.2023) and 26.05.2023. At the discretion of the Headteacher, any serious behaviour incident(s) that takes place from the distribution of this letter up until the Year 11 Prom may mean the privilege to attend is revoked. In this instance, a full refund for the ticket price will be issued.

On the evening, we will be taking formal photographs of the students as they arrive at school and several members of staff will be taking photographs during the event. These photographs may be publicised as part of the school's Newsletter or official Twitter account. If you do not wish photographs of your son / daughter to be uploaded, please contact Mrs Forster (l.forster@formbyhighschool.com) before the event. Students are welcome to take photographs during the evening, however, as with all school events, we ask them to follow our Student ICT Acceptable Use Policy, particularly if sharing the photographs with friends.

If your child is attending the Year 11 Prom, the following is a reminder of the high standards Formby High School expects in terms of the behaviour of all students, both in school and when off site. As parents, by consenting to your son / daughter attending and in turn paying for the event, you are entering into a contract whereby you agree to discuss the following with your son / daughter:

- This is a Formby High School event and, therefore, all school policies, procedures and regulations apply. The use of alcohol, drugs, tobacco, vapes and/or any other controlled substance before, during, or after the Prom is strictly prohibited by law as well as school policy.
- Improper behaviour will result in immediate removal from the Prom by parents.
- Bags and personal belongings are subject to being searched.
- Students must not go off site during the Prom.



Our method of payment is by ParentPay.

- Go on to ParentPay (www.parentpay.com) using your username and password (if you need any login credential reminders, please phone 01704 835940)
- Click on the item description entitled 'Year 11 Prom' and add it to your basket.
- Log Click on the consent button if you would like your son /daughter to participate in this event then proceed to checkout.

Please ensure that if your child has any dietary requirements these are added into the comments section.

Please note that the Year 11 Leavers' Celebration assembly will take place on the morning of 23.06.2023. Further details will follow in due course.

If you have any questions or comments about the information shared in this letter, please contact me at the school via telephone or email (k.macdougall@formbyhighschool.com).

Yours sincerely

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