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Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 11 students will officially go on 'Study Leave' after the Mathematics exam on Friday 20 May. Those students who have a Business Studies exam on that afternoon will remain in school and attend their normal lesson period 3 and have lunch.

The opportunity to say goodbye to staff and sign shirts, in a lovely relaxed atmosphere, after exams have finished, is on Friday 1 July. We will not be doing any shirt signing on any other day. The exam timetable is very packed and preparation for this will be priority.

Study Leave is an opportunity for those students who at this stage feel more suited with studying at home. Students can continue to attend lessons in subjects where exams have not happened yet, so they can receive further help and guidance from their subject teachers. Staff will still be available and following their normal timetable until the final exam in their subject has been taken.

In between exams, students are welcome to stay and work in the library.

Over the last few months, we have looked to award those students who have made the right decisions and take advantage of opportunities with Pizza Evenings and Amazon Vouchers. This has been received very well by the majority of students and something we will continue until the end. We hope to reward many students through the 'Passport to the Prom' receiving photographs on the Prom evening free of charge having attended multiple revision sessions.

The celebration day is by invitation only to the great majority of the year group. The signing of shirts can take place on this day, with students bringing in a shirt from 10.45am. Students will have the opportunity to meet staff again and get their shirts signed, before moving to a reflective but enjoyable assembly. We hope to finish by 12.15pm. This gives plenty of time for students to get ready for the Prom, with arrivals planned between 6.30 and 7pm. The prom will take place at the Warwick Marriott Hotel (Stratford Rd, Budbrooke, Warwick CV34 6RE). Tickets for the event will be released week beginning 9 May and will be available to purchase via ParentPay for £35 per ticket. I would encourage parents/carers to purchase tickets as soon as possible to secure a place and so we have a definitive idea of numbers for the night itself.

## Circumstances affecting students during the exam period

As you will be aware this Summer a number of measures have been put in place nationally such as advanced information, changes to some NEA (coursework) requirements, and grading more generous than in 2019 to support students. In the vast majority of cases, students will be in a situation where they can attend exams as planned, and demonstrate their abilities. We just wanted to take this opportunity to share some key points from the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ) guidance which we have to follow in the unlikely eventuality this is not the case, and to highlight some of our school specific procedures to support this. The full guidance can be found on the [Exams](#) page of the website.

Where it is not possible at the last moment for a student to sit an examination, due to temporary illness, injury etc., or other circumstances where a student can sit the exam but is adversely impacted by something beyond their control **at the time of the assessment**, then the awarding body **may** make some form of special consideration.

The awarding of special consideration for circumstances at the time of the assessment is at the discretion of the awarding body. This only usually goes some way to compensating for any situation rather than necessarily replicating their full capability. Wherever possible, it is usually in the best interest of a student to sit the examination.

All examinations measure what a student knows and can do at the time of the assessment, and awarding bodies do not consider longer-term circumstances that may have prevented a student from reaching the standards they may otherwise have achieved.

If there is a situation where a student cannot attend or is experiencing difficulties then we ask:

- Parents/Carers to phone into school before 8:30am if a student is unable to attend on the day explaining the reason why. With regards to COVID-19, students are expected to follow the Public Health Guidance below.
- Where a student is able to attend exams but is impacted by something such as injury, family bereavement etc. please inform the exams team as soon as possible by emailing [exams@northleamington.co.uk](mailto:exams@northleamington.co.uk).

The Exams team will then be in touch to discuss how we can support and to liaise regarding any paperwork and evidence that would be needed, if it were appropriate to make a request for special consideration to the awarding body.

If you do have any queries please contact [exams@northleamington.co.uk](mailto:exams@northleamington.co.uk).

### Key extracts from the UKHSA Guidance as of 1 April 2022

#### People with symptoms of a respiratory infection including COVID-19 - GOV.UK ([www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk))

It is important that centres read and consider all appropriate UKHSA and other public health guidance. These extracts are included for convenience only.

#### **For children and young people 18 and under:**

- "Children and young people with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, or slight cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend their education setting."
- "Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can. They can go back to school, college or childcare, and resume normal activities when they no longer have a high temperature and they are well enough to attend."
- "It is not recommended that children and young people are tested for COVID-19 unless directed to by a health professional."
- "If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test, if they can."
- "Children and young people who usually go to school, college or childcare and who live with someone who has a positive COVID-19 test result should continue to attend as normal."

### **Results Day Year 11**

A reminder that results day for Year 11 is on Thursday 25 August. Results are available between 9am and 10am. Students must collect their own results and for any students not able to attend, results will be emailed to their school email address later that day.

Members of staff will be on hand to both celebrate with students and to support as required with any post results queries.

On results day we will also be enrolling students to the Sixth Form, more information regarding this will be sent by the Sixth Form Team in due course.

### **Y11 Yearbook**

The Y11 Yearbooks are now available to purchase on ParentPay. The cost is £10 and payments must be completed by **Friday 27 May**. If you would like to purchase a yearbook for your child, but may need some financial support in order to do this, please email Mr Taylor ([staylor@northleamington.co.uk](mailto:staylor@northleamington.co.uk)) to see what support may be available.

## Y11 Lockers

If your child has a school locker, please could you ask them to empty their locker and to return the key in a named envelope to Student Services as soon as possible.

Kind regards,



Mr M Atkins



Mr J Foxon

