



11th May 2021

Dear Parents,

I wanted to write to you to outline our plans for the end of year 11. It has been a difficult year for everyone and it has been particularly challenging for students who were due to take public exams this summer. I say this as your Headteacher but with total understanding as a parent with two children in Year 11.

We have been following government guidance carefully and I wanted to write to re-assure you that your child will be getting the best opportunity to finish their GCSE courses successfully:

- students have taken two sets of PPE (mock) exams so far and a third are scheduled for 14th May-21st May. The exam timetable is included with this letter.
- the results from these three sets of exams will contribute towards each student's Teacher Assessed Grade (TAG). Students have been informed of all additional work that will be included in the final TAG for each subject.
- these TAGs are then checked and approved by Heads of Faculty and Senior Leaders in school. Each subject has slightly different approaches to these assessments but all are subject to the same quality assurance and accuracy checks.
- we then submit these final TAGs to exam boards who will check them again for accuracy and fairness.
- students will receive their exam certificates on the 12th August.

Yr 11 lessons will **finish on 26th May**. On **Thursday 27th** there is an end of year trip to Thorpe Park and then the last day of school will be the 28th where students will have a farewell assembly and lunch where they will be able to do their traditional end of year 11 shirt signing.

We may require some students to come into school in the first two weeks after half term (7th June-18th June) to complete any final work for their TAGs.

From Monday 21st June we be running transition activities for students returning to Langdon park for their post-16 studies. We will write to you separately with details about these activities.

Can I take this opportunity to thank you all for your support over the last 5 years. I have every confidence in the systems and processes we have in place to ensure that every year 11 student will progress to their post-16 destination and course of choice.

Yours sincerely

Mr N Langham
Headteacher