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Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to confirm arrangements for year 11 students for the next few weeks.

Friday 3 May is Year 11 Celebration Day. The year 11 team has planned a lovely day of fun and entertainment for the students. They will spend some time with their tutor groups and come together as a year group for a final assembly packed with tributes, awards and musical entertainment! Events are scheduled to finish at 12.30pm and students are welcome to leave school at this time. If students plan to catch school buses or need to wait for a lift at 2.45pm, they are welcome to stay in school and work in revision rooms.

It is customary for students to get shirts signed. Providing this is good-natured and nothing offensive is written on shirts, we are happy for this to happen. I have reminded students that they are still in a school environment, working alongside younger students, so their cooperation with these expectations is essential. Students often wear bright tights, socks and trainers — this is fine. Students must remember that they will need to wear full school uniform for their formal exams (apart from a blazer) so they should not modify anything else.

The Celebration Day for year 11 students is always a highlight of the school year. In assembly last week, I talked about behaviour expectations for this day and explained the consequences of any unacceptable behaviour. We are always very clear from the outset that poor behaviour could lead to a student being unable to join the festivities, not being able to attend prom or, in extreme cases, not being able to sit exams at KLB. We are confident that students will respect these rules and have an enjoyable and memorable day.

Weeks beginning 6, 13 and 20 May:

Students are expected to be in school full time. If they do not have an examination, they should go to registration as usual and follow their usual timetables. In lessons, they will be able to revise independently. We have talked to students about the importance of being organised and ensuring they bring in any revision resources they might need. A few structured revision sessions will be led by teachers if the exam in that subject is the same day or the next day.

On Friday 24 May, the last day of term 5, there is a French examination in the morning. Students who do not have this examination are welcome to revise from home all day, rather than come into school. Once the French examination is over, the students who have sat this paper, are also welcome to head home should they so wish.

After the May half term week:

Examinations continue. Students may come into school to revise but they may also revise from home if they so wish. There is no registration with tutors, so students who have chosen to revise in school must sign in and out at reception, where they will find a timetable of supervised rooms available for quiet revision.

Other information:

Individual exam timetables: these were issued to students on Friday. Please email exams@klbschool.org.uk for all exam related queries.

Exams: in assembly last week, we talked to students about practical arrangements including lining up, equipment, phones, watches, water, using the toilet, behaviour, illness and absence.

Year 11 Prom: a reminder that this is booked for Thursday 20 June. Please contact Miss Dolan (rdolan@klbschool.org.uk) if you have any questions about this event.

As our part of commitment to developing the KLB community ethos, we are excited to announce that this week we will be hosting our first KLB pop up prom shop for year 11 students. We have kindly been gifted many pre-loved and brand-new prom dresses, suits and accessories. Year 11 students will be invited to browse the outfits at breaktime and lunch time this week and there will opportunity to try items on. Should your child find an outfit they would like to wear to the prom, they are welcome to take it home with them as a gift from us. If you would like you show your appreciation, we would welcome a donation to KLB friends, but there is no obligation to do this.

KLB Sixth Form update: The sixth form team was impressed with the students' approach and engagement in their interviews. Letters will be sent home over the coming fortnight stating clearly the specific entry requirements for each student. This letter will explain the process for accepting places in August.

GCSE results day is Thursday 22 August. We will write to you again in a few weeks' time with details about timings, collecting results in person, having results emailed and other information.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch. Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes

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