

13th May 2011

Dear Parents/Carers and Year 11 Students,

Important Information to all Year 11 candidates and parents – please retain

We have reached the time when Year 11 students are about to enter the final examination period which will allow them to gain the qualifications which will be the key to future choices. We know many are already considering Post 16 study here at Mangotsfield. You will find in this letter an explanation about what will happen and the expectations we have of students in the build-up towards their exams so that this runs as smoothly as possible and students are as thoroughly prepared as they can be.

As you will have seen from the exam timetable, there are a number of exams early in May. It is our intention to carry on with an almost normal timetable until Friday 20th May. When students are not in exams they should attend lessons. All of these lessons will be intensive revision sessions. After this date students only need attend for their exams. Some subjects (those with exams in June) will be running special sessions just before their exam for last minute revision. You will be informed of these nearer the time.

After the 20th May there are many large exams concentrated together; by this time we want students to be revising at home and attending school to ask for additional help as required. Staff will still be available in timetabled time, any students visiting should sign-in at Reception and be in correct uniform.

The day that this home study will start will be **Friday 20th May**. On this day there will be time with their tutor and tutor group and then a celebration assembly to mark the end of their statutory schooling. During the tutor period, students will be able to get books and shirts signed. There will be **NO** signing of shirts in school before this date. Students will then be able to leave the site to study at home after 10.30 am. Please also be aware that students must sit their exams in full school uniform, this includes wearing an “unsigned” polo shirt.

For attendance figures we take the final day of school as Friday 20th May; your child’s attendance will be monitored until this date.

The Prom will be held on Wednesday 6th July. It is our hope and expectation to invite as many Year 11s as possible to this event and they have been given guidance on what behaviour is expected in order to retain this invitation. Any poor behaviour in the last few weeks of school or during any of their exams will result in their invitation being revoked.

It only remains for me to wish all the students every success in the forthcoming examinations, which will doubtless result from a determined revision programme! Please use our comprehensive website to support your child with their revision and ensure that all students leave school with the best results possible.

Yours faithfully,

Richard Badley
Headteacher