

Headmaster: Mr M Jones BA MEd

6 May 2022

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

As we approach stand down and the GCSE examinations, we are now able to give you some key information.

### Stand down - Friday 13 May

Year 11 students stand down at the end of the school day on Friday 13 May. On this day, students will attend period 1 - 3 lessons as normal (lunchtimes will have changed to 12.20pm from this week). Students will then have an extended lunch where they can collect their yearbook and leavers hoodie and then enjoy a buffet lunch together. During this time, students will be allowed to sign each other's shirts, however, this should be in addition to the one they are wearing. **Please ensure that they attend school with a spare shirt**, should this be something they will partake in. Students will then attend a final celebratory assembly in the afternoon. The school day will finish at 3.20pm.

## **Study Leave Arrangements**

From Monday 16 May, students are only required to attend school for their examinations. However, we know that a number of students prefer, or would benefit from, revising in school and/or working under the guidance of their teachers. We have, therefore, made the following available to students who are in school, but not in an examination:

Students can continue to attend lessons for the period Monday 16 May to Friday 27 May as per their usual timetable. Teachers will be available in their usual classroom for any student who wishes to receive some help and guidance or who wants to revise in school (they do not need to revise the subject for the 'lesson' they are attending).

From Monday 6 June, students may:

- revise in silence in the LRC. A maximum of 20 students will be allowed to use this space, with students signing in when they arrive.
- work in Café 6. Drinks and food will be available to purchase (until 2.15pm) through the fingerprint system, provided students have money in their accounts. Please be aware that students will not be supervised in Café 6 and high standards of behaviour are expected at all times.

#### Sixth Form Conference and Book Return

The Sixth Form Induction Conference and Book Return will take place on Thursday 30 June. Further details of the day will be sent out via email to all students and their parents/carers after half term. However, we include an outline of the morning so you are aware of timings. Students are expected to attend the conference in full school uniform.





Between 8.45am and 9.20am students will be required to return any textbooks that are the property of the school or books borrowed from the LRC. Details of the books students are required to return will be given in the more detailed letter after half term.

Those students who intend to return to the Sixth Form must then be at the Sixth Form Conference Centre by 9.30am. After a brief presentation by the Heads of Sixth Form and the Headmaster, students will attend talks for those subjects they are considering studying at A Level. The subject presentations will finish at 12.20pm. At 12.20pm, the Sixth Form team will be available to answer any further questions students have. Students are free to leave from 12.20pm.

## **Results Day**

GCSE results are published on Thursday 25 August. Results statements will be emailed to students' school email addresses at 8.00am that morning; results cannot be emailed to other email addresses.

Where students require hard copies of their results, these will be available from the Sixth Form Support Office (upstairs in the Sixth Form Centre) from 9.30am. Please could we request that if you are coming in to collect your result, you contact Mrs Cave (<u>t.cave@parmiters.herts.sch.uk</u>) beforehand so we can get them printed off prior to your arrival. Mrs Zanetti, our Careers Advisor, will also be present on the day to offer advice and support regarding next steps (<u>j.zanetti@parmiters.herts.sch.uk</u>).

# **Sixth Form Registration**

After receiving their GCSE results, students who intend to return to Parmiter's must register for entry to the Sixth Form via our electronic registration process. This is done via the school website: there will be a link on the Home page. Students must indicate the subjects they intend to study at A Level, ensuring that their combination of subjects works against the option blocks (which will be available to view on the registration page) and that they meet the entry criteria for the subject. Please note that students do not select which block they study a particular subject in. At this point, queries regarding subject choices and registration should be directed to the Heads of Sixth Form, Mr Porter (a.porter@parmiters.herts.sch.uk) and Mrs Rowland (w.rowland@parmiters.herts.sch.uk). Queries regarding post results services should be directed to Mrs Berks (e.berks@parmiters.herts.sch.uk). More details about this will be made available nearer the time. We respectfully ask that students and parents do not contact Heads of Department or teaching staff directly to enquire about places on A Level courses.

The deadline for registering electronically is midnight on Tuesday 30 August. Late registration may jeopardise a student's access to courses, particularly in the event of oversubscription.

Please be aware that the electronic registration is only the first step in the process. Where there are concerns regarding students falling short of their entry requirements, those individuals will be contacted and may be required to attend school on Registration Day - Friday 2 September. At this point, options will be confirmed and any changes made. The A Level Maths Assessment will also take place on this day (9.15am for a 9.30am start).

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents and carers for their support of the school over the last five years and for your role in preparing our students for their GCSEs. We wish all the students the very best of luck.

Yours sincerely

Mr Henson
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