Dear Parent/Carer

I hope you and your family are well. Welcome to the latest edition of our **Year 11 Bulletin**, aimed at updating you on all of the school support and news for our Year 11 community.

There are 40 days, 17 school days and 85 lessons before our 2025 Year 11 cohort sit their first, whole cohort, GCSE exam.

I want to thank you for your support in ensuring your children have attended school, success sessions and mock exams this term – your support is greatly appreciated, and we look forward to this hard work and support being celebrated when your child opens their results on **Thursday 21 August 2025**



Year 11 Rewards

Our Year 11 rewards programme, dedicated to academic improvement has now been running since January. Each intervention session, where a student has attended and worked hard, they have been receiving a raffle ticket. We then draw the raffle tickets on a Friday during assembly, giving out five £20 Love to Shop vouchers each week.

Well done to all our winners. Keep up the good work!

Mock Exams Celebration and Results: Friday 4 April

The last Friday of half term will be our mock results morning. This is designed to replicate the experience of the real Results Day in August and show our students just how important the mock exam results are. Students will have an assembly with Miss Carrick and Mr Irons before making their way to the restaurant.



They will receive their **results envelope** and celebrate with a **free breakfast cob**. Following this, they return to the main hall where we present **subject awards** for each exam, including **Highest Attainer** and a special **Department Recognition Award**.

Throughout the day, all students will attend a **1:1 interview** with a member of the senior leadership team. In this meeting they will look through their results and discuss their **next steps** and what further support they will need. We are really looking forwards to celebrating as a year group and using this final milestone to help us prepare for the final exams after Easter.

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Easter Holiday & After-School Success Sessions

Please encourage your child to attend our Easter Holiday Revision Sessions to help prepare them for exam success. Sign up is via the Arbor Parent App.

Students will receive \$25 Bulwell Bucks for every session they attend and this will increase their positivity ratio and their chances of a free prom ticket.

Each day will run from 9.30am to 12.45pm with a free pizza lunch. Your child should arrive at the Squires Avenue gate by 9.20am.

Likewise, your child should also attend our after-school Success Sessions where attendance is awarded with \$25 Bulwell Bucks.

Snacks are provided for all those students who stay for their after-school intervention sessions... we often have **Dominos** or **Greggs**!



Week One

MONDAY 7 APRIL

Art Miss Cole Food Miss Harvey Photography Mr Grinsted Product Design Mr Grinsted Geography Mr Garton Sport Mr Weaver

TUESDAY 8 APRIL

Art Miss Cole Photography Mr Grinsted Product Design Mr Grinsted Science Mr Smith

MONDAY 14 APRIL

English English Team

TUESDAY 15 APRIL

Maths Maths Team **Sport** Miss Hopkinson

WEDNESDAY 16 APRIL

French Mrs Turner Spanish Mr Harthill Health & Social Care Miss Davies **IT Miss Davies**

THURSDAY 17 APRIL

Business Miss Tack **History** Miss Forbes



Please encourage your child to attend these sessions as not only will it improve their GCSE grades but they can also earn **extra Bulwell Bucks** plus entry into our Year 11 Success Friday rewards with chances to win prizes!



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Year 11 Graduation Prom

The Year 11 Prom is fast approaching, and we will soon be making tickets available on Arbor Parent.

If your child is eligible and would like to attend Prom, please **provide consent** here: **forms.office.com/e/vpVVwNTVq2**

If you are worried about the cost of Prom, we have a range of **Preloved Promwear and accessories** to support.

Please click here to find out more.



First Exams after Easter

The first exam that the whole Year 11 cohort will sit takes place on Monday 12 May with English Literature Paper 1. However, there are some key examination dates to be aware of before the official start of the exam period. You can find the full timetable on the Year 11 Success page on the Academy website.

- Tuesday 22 and Wednesday 23 April: Art and Photography Exams, Group One
- Thursday 24 and Friday 25 April: Art and Photography Exams, Group Two
- Monday 28 April: Media Exam, Day One
- Tuesday 29 April: Geography Field Trip, Group One
- Wednesday 30 April: Geography Field Trip, Group Two
- Thursday 1 May AM: ICT Exam
- Friday 2 May: Media Exam, Day Two
- Tuesday 6 May AM: Health & Social Care Exam
- Wednesday 7 May AM: Business Exam
- Thursday 8 May AM: Drama Exam
- Thursday 8 and Friday 9 May: French & Spanish Speaking Exams (appointment times to be allocated).

Once students have completed all elements of the course for their subject, they can use the time in those lessons to revise for their remaining exams. Students have been equipped with revision resources, textbooks and guidance on revision strategies to allow them to use this time as efficiently as possible.

Thank you for all of your support throughout Year 11. It is now time for the final push and for our students to build on any gaps in knowledge that they identify in these final mocks. We wish all of our students the best of luck for their final months with us!

You can find all information relating to Year 11 Success on the Academy website, keeping you up to date with Year 11 support, rewards and events

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