

July 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

#### Commitment = Success + Prom

We are pleased with the current progress Year 10 are making. They have demonstrated engagement and focus during their mock assessments and have begun to make important preparations for Year 11, where they will become the oldest year group and role models for the wider school population.

#### Year 11 Commitment Sessions

Starting in September students will have 'commitment' sessions on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. These will be important sessions to help students prepare for their exams. **The college day will finish at 3.30pm for Year 11 on these days.** 

On a Tuesday all students will have Maths, Science or English Commitment which they must attend.

On a Wednesday and Thursday students are expected to stay on site to work with their teachers in their option subjects. Students who are making good progress and are on track with their work may not be required to remain on site on a Wednesday and Thursday and they will be given permission to leave.

The 'commitment' timetable is as follows:

	Tuesday All students	Wednesday Targeted students	Thursday Targeted students
Week A	Maths	Option subjects	Option subjects
Week B	Science or English	Option subjects	Option subjects

Please make the appropriate arrangements so that in September your child can fully benefit from these sessions. Students should not make routine medical appointments or other arrangements until after 3.30pm on these days. Students who have good attendance and attend these sessions will be the most successful in their GCSE examinations.

#### Prom

Students who have good attendance, good behaviour and show motivation and commitment to their learning will be rewarded for meeting the College's expectations and will be invited to celebrate at prom which has been booked for Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2026. Students will be given regular updates so that they will know if they are on track to be invited. If they are not eligible then they will not be able to buy a ticket.

We urge parents not to spend money on prom outfits if they are unsure that they will be invited. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this then please contact Mr Max.

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## Key Dates - Parents' Evenings

There are some important evenings next academic year that Parents will be invited to. In order that you can plan to attend the events, please make a note of the dates in advance.

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October- P16 Open Evening and Year 11 Information Evening. Monday 8<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Year 11 Mock exams will take place. Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January - Year 11 Parents Evening - Mock results will be issued at the event. Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March - Year 11 Examination Information Evening.

May we take this opportunity to encourage Year 10 to continue working hard for the rest of the academic year. We then hope they have a fun, safe and relaxing Summer break before they return. Year 11 is intensive and students will need to work hard in order to reach their potential, however we are confident that with support from their teachers and yourselves, students will excel and achieve results in Summer 2026 to be proud of.

Yours sincerely

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