



September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Key information for Year 11

At the start of Year 11, we wanted to share some important notices for the year group.

Students have been informed about these items in assemblies, however please ensure they have read this letter in order that they are reminded about this key information.

Key dates

16 th October	Y11 information evening P16 information evening
4 th December	Reports issued
8 th -18 th December	Y11 Mock Exams
22 nd January	Y11 Parents Evening (mock results issued)
19 th March	Y11 Examination Information Evening
26 th March	Final Report Issued
5 th May	Formal exam season begins (Practical sessions will begin before this)
2 nd July	Prom
20 th August	Results Day

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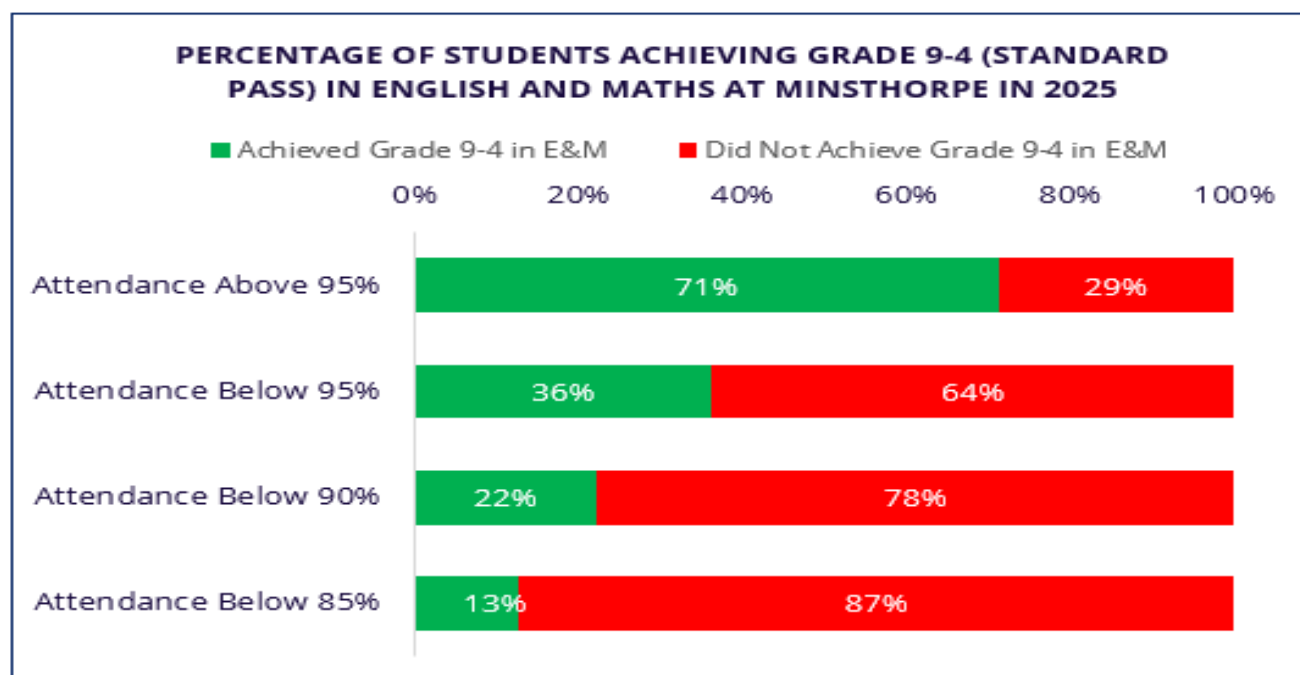
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Attendance

Good attendance for all students is crucial, but it is even more vital in Year 11 as the link between good exam results and good attendance can be seen using the Year 11 GCSE exam results from this Summer. The College priority is Every Student: Every Lesson: Every Day. The better students attend the wider their opportunities will become.



Commitment Sessions

It has been wonderful to see such positive attendance and clear engagement in the Commitment sessions this week. Please see below a reminder of the sessions.

	Tuesday All students	Wednesday Targeted students	Thursday Targeted students
Week A	Maths & Further Maths	Option B	Option E
Week B	Science & Further Maths	Option A	Option C

All students must attend the sessions on a Tuesday and students will be targeted for sessions on a Wednesday and Thursday. Please make arrangements for your child to finish at 3.30pm on these days. Please ensure that medical appointments and other arrangements begin after this time.

Messages will be sent home regarding the sessions on a Wednesday and Thursday and students can find the details regarding the sessions from their mentors or in the canteen.

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Home Learning

Home learning is set on Satchel One and all parents have been given access to the App so that they can monitor the work their child is completing. If any parent needs support with this then please contact the College so that we can help. In addition to home learning, students should be independently revising at home and completing past exam papers in order to prepare for exams. They should be regularly submitting work to their teachers in order that staff have evidence of the progress which students are making and can provide students with the necessary support to gain the best possible grades in the summer.

Mock exams

Year 11 mock exams will begin on December 8th until December 18th. Students should start revising for these now. If they are unsure regarding what to revise then please encourage them to speak to their teachers.

Prom

All Year 11 students are currently invited to Prom which is on Thursday 2nd July 2026 at Burntwood Court Hotel. In order to remain invited, we will be reviewing students Motivation, Commitment and Care throughout the year and the following targets have been set.

- 96% attendance,
- Full attendance to Commitment sessions,
- A positive behaviour record with no suspensions.

Students will be made aware throughout the year if they are not meeting the targets and are at risk of not being invited. We urge parents not to buy expensive prom outfits if they are unsure if their child will meet the targets.

We look forward to as many students as possible being able to attend Prom so that they can be rewarded for their hard work in year 11.

May we take this opportunity to again thank you for your support. This is a crucial year for all year 11 students where the support from home and school is key in assisting them to secure their aspirations for post 16 and beyond.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions about the content of this letter.

Yours sincerely

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