



1st April 2019

Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: Yr 11 End of Spring Term Letter

This last half term we have been very busy preparing for the final count down to the exams and also of course the fun events! The prom committee have met to plan the colour scheme, awards and play list for the big night and I am sure that you have already had many discussions at home about dresses, hair and transport.

Thursday 9th May is the last full day in school before the exams and/or study leave commences on Friday 10th May. The girls will have a choice as to whether or not they come into school between the exams. Teachers that usually have Year 11 will always be available at their normal lesson time to teach any of the girls that come into school. They should sign in and out at student support and a range of rooms will be available for silent study, quiet study and a room to socialise in.

Your daughters have worked hard this term whether to finish their courses, NEAs, or attend some of the revision sessions being run. Please continue to give your daughters as much support and encouragement both before the exams start, and also during the exam period, to help her to be organised and prepared on the day of the exams.

I would like to give parents my best wishes as they have to tread carefully around stressed, concerned daughters and of course wish the very best of luck to the girls with all their GCSEs. Please remind your daughters not to be a "What If" girl. Please remind them that if they put the effort in and work hard they will know that they have tried their best. However, if they do not put the effort in they will never know what they could have achieved and will always think "What if I had worked harder or What if I had made some extra revision notes."

I cannot believe it is almost five years ago that I visited your daughters in Year 6 at their primary schools and when they came for their visit in the summer. It has been an absolute pleasure and privilege to see them grow from children in to the confident and delightful young women that they are today. I am sure for you as parents this phase in their lives has gone far too quickly – time really does fly.

I want to thank you for being so supportive of the school and your daughter. It has been a pleasure to get to know many of you (some more than others!) over the years. Thank you also to your wonderful and talented daughters in Year 11 who have always been willing to help out when needed, especially in assemblies and showing people around the school.

I would like to wish you and your daughter a restful break over the holidays and for them to come back refreshed for the summer term.

Yours sincerely

Mrs K Vaughan
Head of Year 11