# **Fulford School**



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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Re: Update on Form Time Structure and Year 11 Prom

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to inform you about an upcoming change in our form time schedule as we approach the GCSE exams.

Firstly, I am thrilled to inform you that the Year 11 students have performed brilliantly during their recent Mock exams. Their dedication, hard work, and determination have truly shone through, and we couldn't be prouder of their efforts. I am confident that they will continue to excel as we move forward and this can only have a positive effect on their outcomes.

In light of the upcoming GCSE exams, we have decided to make some adjustments to the structure of our form time sessions to provide even more targeted support to our students. Effective from Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March, the following changes will be implemented:

### Monday and Friday:

• These days will continue to focus on pastoral care, allowing students to engage in assemblies and connect with their form tutors. It's essential for us to maintain this supportive environment to address any concerns, offer guidance, and nurture their overall well-being.

## Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday:

 On these days, form time will transition to bespoke intervention sessions with a primary emphasis on subjectbased revision, with a subject specialist. While the majority of these sessions will concentrate on mathematics, leveraging the expertise of our numerous maths teachers in the Year 11 team, we will also incorporate English, Science, and other selected subjects as needed. These sessions will be tailored to address specific areas of improvement and provide additional support to enhance your child's readiness for the upcoming exams.

Our overarching goal with these changes is to further bolster the support provided to your child, ensuring they have the tools and resources necessary to achieve success in the GCSE exams this summer.

We deeply appreciate your ongoing support and collaboration in your child's education journey. Should you have any questions or require further information about these changes, please don't hesitate to contact us.

#### Year 11 Prom

We are delighted to extend an invitation to the school Prom, Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July, an event anticipated with great excitement by the students. It marks a significant milestone in their academic journey, and we are thrilled to celebrate their achievements together.

Our goal is to ensure that the prom is a memorable and enjoyable experience for all attendees. To this end, we have established specific criteria that students must meet to be eligible to attend.

These criteria are not only intended to maintain the integrity and safety of the event, but also to emphasise the importance of success in school, which sets students on the path to achieving remarkable results in their academic endeavours.

By emphasising academic success, positive behaviour, and responsibility, we aim to cultivate a supportive environment that empowers students to excel.

The main criteria to access Prom is for students to conform to the school values and expectations. More specific criteria, for the 10-week period, Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May are:

- To have no suspensions
- To have less than 25 negatives
- To avoid being placed in the Reflection room
- To avoid negatives for repeated reasons
- To have strong attendance authorised absences will be taken into account
- To follow staff instructions, and the school sanction system when required

We encourage you to discuss these criteria with your child and emphasise the importance of meeting these expectations. Reviews of individual cases will take place if required. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the criteria, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

The end of year celebrations, including the Prom, are always very special events and we want as many students as possible to enjoy these well-deserved events that will mark the end of what has been a challenging but amazing five years.

Thank you for your continued support. Please do get in touch if there is any aspect of our provision that you would like to discuss.

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Kind regards,

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