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20th April 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Year 13 Last Day Arrangements & Exam Support (Academic Year 2025–2026)

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the continued support you have shown to myself, the wider Sixth Form team, and subject staff over the past two years. As we approach the final stages of the academic year, our focus is firmly on supporting students to feel confident, prepared, and ready to approach the summer examination period successfully.

I am writing to confirm the arrangements for Year 13's final day in school, alongside the support in place to help students secure those crucial marginal gains that can make a significant difference to final outcomes. Additionally, please find attached to this letter the PowerPoint slide from the 'Last Push' evening which took place on Tuesday 14th April.

Final Day Arrangements

Year 13's final day in school will be **Monday 18th May 2026**.

Until this date, all students are expected to attend registration, tutor time, and all timetabled lessons. These final lessons remain a vital opportunity to address any remaining knowledge gaps, refine exam technique, and build confidence. Our subject specialists are an invaluable resource, and I strongly encourage students to make full use of their expertise during this time.

The schedule for the final day is as follows:

- **Registration:** As normal in tutor rooms
- **Period 1 & 2:** Lessons as normal (*Sociology examination taking place*)
- **Break**
- **Period 3:** Celebration assembly (*dismissal from assembly*)

Please note that Economics students are required to return for their afternoon examination.

We ask that all students are mindful that public examinations will be taking place on this day. Celebrations should be conducted respectfully to ensure that peers sitting exams are not disrupted during this important time.

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Expectations for the Final Day

We want students to enjoy this milestone and celebrate their time with us; however, there are clear expectations to ensure the day runs safely and appropriately:

- Alcohol and any other substances are strictly prohibited on site. Students found to be under the influence will be escorted off site.
- Pranks or damage to property, including staff belongings, offices, or vehicles, are not permitted.
- Water pistols, water bombs, and smoke bombs are not allowed.

Students may take part in the tradition of shirt signing. However, if a student has an exam on this day, they must bring a change of clothes or wait until after their exam. Students will not be permitted into an examination wearing clothing with writing on it, in line with JCQ regulations.

Ongoing Exam Support

To further support students:

- Heads of Department will provide **online pre-exam briefings**, available via Satchel One, offering key guidance on exam approach, technique, and time management.
- These should be viewed by students in advance of each examination.
- Targeted **pre-exam warm-up sessions** will continue to run, particularly ahead of afternoon examinations, to provide focused revision and last-minute guidance.

Following the final day, students are not required to attend lessons or registration. However, they are welcome to continue using school facilities for revision. Some departments will be asking students to attend targeted support sessions during their lessons time.

Students attending site must be in full Sixth Form dress code and sign in via the InVentry system for safeguarding purposes.

Our Year 13 cohort has demonstrated resilience, commitment, and determination throughout their time in Sixth Form. These final weeks are an important opportunity to consolidate their learning and maximise their success. I look forward to celebrating their achievements with them.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely

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