

28 October 2024

Dear Parent(s) / Carer(s)

## **Quick Read**

- This year's prom is booked for Tuesday 1 July 2025. Students have been informed of the criteria which will secure an invite to this and other celebratory events which are detailed below. Please email\_pknowles@nunthorpe.co.uk if you have any queries.
- Students in Year 11 have completed their first set of formal examinations for this academic year. They have received their results. Please email <a href="mailto:spurcifer@nunthorpe.co.uk">spurcifer@nunthorpe.co.uk</a> if you have any queries in relation to this matter.
- Dates for the diary we look forward to welcoming you to both of these events. Tuesday 22 October 2024 - Year 11 Academic Parents' Evening Wednesday 6 November 2024 - Year 11 Parents' Information Evening.

## Year 11 Celebrations, Assessments and reminders

We are delighted to inform you about further details regarding the Year 11 Prom and other important end of year events. As we enter into the sixth week of Year 11, it is crucial that we continue to work together to ensure that your child fulfils all expectations to complete this year successfully. We appreciate your ongoing support.

## The Prom

Nunthorpe Academy and the school's across the Areté Learning Trust have successfully run Passport to Prom initiatives in previous years. The rationale behind this is to ensure that all students are made explicitly aware of what the expectations are in order for them to be eligible to attend prom and other Year 11 celebrations. Students who behave in line with or exceed our basic expectations should not be expected to share special events with a few students who regularly do not meet them. Student Voice echoed this belief and asked us to make our criteria really clear.

We launched our 'Passport to the Prom' expectations to students during assembly two weeks ago. Any student who missed the official launch attended a catch up assembly with Mrs Knowles and I last week.

This year's prom is booked for Tuesday 1 July 2025 and will take place at Gisborough hall.

We would like to share with you the criteria for a student invitation to our prom for this year:

- Maintain a positive attendance record of least 96% attendance (if a student is absent for an extended period of time due to a serious medical issue this will be taken into consideration);
- at least 98% punctuality to school (we do not issue late marks if a student has a genuine reason for lateness - such as a medical appointment at 8:00am or we deem there is inclement weather such as heavy snow);
- 100% punctuality to lessons;
- maintain an exemplary behaviour record with no marks for defiance towards staff and no more than one suspension;
- attend all required intervention sessions and complete independent work, for example, the use of our revision apps.

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As in previous years, we believe it is fair for all students who work hard every day to be able to celebrate with their peers. The vast majority of our Year 11 students will achieve the criteria we have set out above and will be invited to join us for this and our Leavers' Celebration assembly. When in attendance at Gisborough Hall, the students represent our school community and we expect our students to demonstrate respect at all times. Any student who falls short of our expectations in school will not be considered for an invitation to the prom.

Students who meet the criteria will receive a formal invite on Monday 9 June 2024. Students should not assume that they will receive an invite up until that day. However, the year team, Mrs Thomas, Assistant Vice Principal for Behaviour and Attitude, and I will be meeting with students at three points across the year to inform students if they are on target to go, or if they need to make improvements in a certain area. We will also let you know how your child is getting on at those points too. The check in points are in December, the end of February and April. Please be aware that the invite can be rescinded at any point up until the date of the prom if a student fails to maintain the standards set out above.

The cost of the Prom ticket will be no more than £40.

## Year 11 Leavers' Celebration Assembly

We will confirm next half term the date for leavers in our next Year 11 update. An invitation to the Leavers' Celebration is also subject to the same expectations as the prom.

#### **Leavers Hoodies**

Students will be able to purchase a leavers' hoodie. The cost of this is approximately £20.

#### **Parent Pay and Plan**

We want to support you by enabling you to pay for different events at different points in the year. In our next update, we will write to you with the details of how to pay for the leavers' hoodie.

Our preferred method of payment is ParentPay. If you require any information regarding ParentPay, please contact the Finance Office.

#### Year 11 Parents' Evening and Support Evening

I would like to take the opportunity to remind you of the following two dates for your diary: Year 11 Academic Parents' Evening - Tuesday 22 October 2024 Year 11 Parental Information Evening - Wednesday 6 October 2024

### Year 11 Formal Assessments

Students in Year 11 recently completed their first set of formal examinations and they have received their results. Following question level analysis of the papers, students have been identified as needing additional support through intervention; this is schedule as below. Staff will contact you directly if your child is required to attend any of the sessions listed below. Once you have had the opportunity to discuss this with your child, if you have any queries please email <u>spurcifer@nunthorpe.co.uk</u>



# **Y11 After School Intervention**

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
PE (ASM)	History (JEC)	Spanish (ASM)	Child Development (LM)
Science (MG)	V-CERT Sport (SP/RT)	Health & Social Care (KB/ JI)	History (RP)
Science (CSC	Engineering (KTG)	German (AMR)	
Design Technology (SH)	Science (VP)	History (MJ)	
German (AMR)	Science (MM)	Design Technology (KTG)	
German (ALG)	German (AMR)	Geography (KW)	
French (KLC)	Philosophy & Ethics	Geography (VJ)	
	Health & Social Care		
	Geography (AA)		
	Maths (CF)		
	Maths (CG)		

Year 11 have started the year really well and I am enjoying working with them and the team here at Nunthorpe. I was particularly impressed with the way in which they responded to our Year 13 Senior Student Leaders when they joined me to present my first assembly and for how welcome they have made me feel since joining the team. We are very much looking forward to working with our soon to be appointed prom committee and for our student leadership launch where students in Year 11 will be eligible to apply for prefect, student leader, school council and anti-bullying leadership roles.

Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Knowles, Senior Pastoral Manager for Year 11 at <u>pknowles@nunthorpe.co.uk</u> in relation to any pastoral matters, Mr Duffill, Vice Principal on <u>tduffill@nunthorpe.co.uk</u> in relation to any academic matters or myself at <u>jdarbsyhire@nunthorpe.co.uk</u> if you have any other queries.

Yours sincerely

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