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Dear Parent/Carers

You will have received a text informing you that Year 11 are as of Monday, on study leave. It is now time for students to be able to take responsibility for their revision as the examinations reach their final week and a half. The vast majority of our students have shown an excellent attitude during the examinations so far and many wish to have quiet spaces in which to revise, which is a clear sign that it is an appropriate time for study leave to begin. It must be noted that all the examinations to come are as important as the ones already taken. Students must attend in uniform (except on Friday 15th June: please see below).

Next week, there are examinations each morning. After the examinations in the morning, students who have afternoon examinations will stay in school. All other students must go home to revise, except for those who choose to stay in school to revise or work with their timetabled teachers. They will **work in the school library ('LRC')**. If a student decides to do this, they will remain in their seats after the morning examinations and be escorted to the LRC. Parents will receive a text to say that their child has chosen to stay in school. All other students will have left the site. Students must not work elsewhere other than the LRC unless escorted by a member of staff.

Please note that the school reserves the right to not allow students (if they have recently displayed poor attitude or behaviour) the opportunity to work in the LRC: they will be sent home from examinations and not allowed back into school.

Other than for examinations, students must sign in when entering the school as a visitor would. They must not linger near the site during the day and especially at the end of the school day. Please be aware, as I have said previously, that any bags taken to examinations will be searched from now on.

Students will enter the examination hall and leave directly from it and so not be able to access lockers. Arrangements will be made for the emptying of lockers and the collection of keys.

Please note that the last examinations are on 19th June and results day is on Thursday August. Students will be able to collect their results from the Sports Hall (entered via the Broadway Avenue entrance) from x am.

Eid:

It is extremely important that students attend school on Friday 15th June. It is most unfortunate that students have examinations on this day. I must emphasise that this is a national decision over which we have no control.

I have attached to this letter some examples of local mosques where there will be the opportunity to pray prior to coming to school for the examinations. Missing examinations for Eid



will be no grounds for an appeal and therefore attendance is essential. I must emphasise that normal attendance procedures, such as collecting children from home, will occur in cases of absence. I sympathise with families regarding this, but must ask for your support in this frustrating but important matter.

On this day only, students do not need to wear school uniform. There will be food provided for free between the two examinations that day. We will start the afternoon examination as early as national rules allow so that it will finish at approximately 2.15pm.

Prom

I am pleased to confirm that the numbers of tickets for our Prom have grown sufficiently for me to be able to confirm that the event will take place on 19th June. Details are available on Parent Pay. This is a terrific event and a great way for the young people and the staff to celebrate their success together. I must remind you that the Academy reserves the right to refuse admission/ticket sale to students who have displayed negative attitudes and behaviour.

Alton Towers

There is another opportunity for students to attend a trip to Alton Towers on Thursday 21st June. Again, I must remind you that the Academy reserves the right to refuse a place on the trip to students who have displayed negative attitudes and behaviour.

With best wishes to the young people for their examinations and to all celebrating, Eid Mubarak.

Yours sincerely



Mr P Weir
Head of Academy