



Friday 21st May 2021

Dear Parents/Carers and Year 11 Pupils,

The contents of this letter outlines important information affecting our Year 11 pupils in the weeks ahead. Year 11 students will be leaving school following the completion of the Teacher Assessed Grade process, schools are encouraged to provide transitional guidance and activities to Year 11, which will enable pupils to progress to their next place of education or employment. It is at the discretion of individual schools how they approach this.

Providing opportunities for our young people to learn and to flourish is central to our ethos at Phoenix Academy. We therefore want our pupils to be in school every day until **Friday 28th May**.

Curriculum and Learning Experience

Our curriculum, subsequent to the Teacher Assessed Grade process, will provide pupils with some of the following:

- The opportunity to study topics adversely affected by the lockdown
- The opportunity to study areas of the curriculum not assessed, providing further depth and broader knowledge to topics
- A-level taster lessons
- Information about careers and guidance on college and apprenticeship applications
- Additionally, pupils may have time to complete missed assessments

Monday 24th to Friday 28th May 2021, 10-12pm

From **Monday 24th May** we are only expecting students to attend school from **10.00 am-12.00 pm**. We have organised a bespoke curriculum experience for Year 11 with the focus continuing to be on preparing pupils for further education and employment. This will include a mixture of normal lessons and the following enrichment activities:

- Lessons provided by various colleges
- Sessions on careers, interview techniques, transition to college, personal finance and online safety
- Mental health wellbeing sessions provided by the Mind - particularly focusing on coping with change, anxiety and pressure

Year 11 Enrichment		
Date & Time	10.00 – 11.00 a.m.	11.00 - 12.00 p.m.
Monday 24th May	CV, Interviews, LinkedIn, Cover Letters... Mr McCarthy	CV, Personal statements and interviews workshop

Tuesday 25th May	Media Trust: Vlogging: External	
Wednesday 26th May	Talks on variety of subjects to do with life financial education as well as career talks. LifeSkills: External	College Life: Richmond College and Phoenix Sixth form
Thursday 27th May	Alex Holmes: From being bullied to being invited to Buckingham Palace to meet the Queen - Bullying, Cyberbullying and E-Safety Expert. External	Stop and search-PC Brown MIND External
Friday 28 th May	Leavers Assembly	

Students must attend all sessions in full school uniform.

Monday 14th June to Friday 9th July 2021 from 8:30-12:30 p.m. Phoenix Sixth Form taster lessons

If your child applied for a place at Phoenix Sixth Form then they would have received a conditional offer and would have been invited to take part in the Phoenix Sixth Form taster event from 14th June until 9th July 2021. Students will experience what it is like to attend the Sixth Form and will take part in lessons, enrichment activities and guided independent study. Mr Person has written to you separately regarding the Sixth Form taster lessons. The students whom this applies to have already received the letter.

Results Day and Phoenix Sixth Form Enrolment 12th August 2021

GCSE results will be available to all pupils on Thursday 12th August. Pupils will be able to collect their results from 10:00am in the Vibe building. Students who achieve the entry requirements can then enrol in the Sixth Form. There will be local employers, colleges and apprenticeship providers in attendance.

Thank you for your continued support and all that you do to work in partnership with us. Your sons and daughters are working extremely hard and are a real credit to you.

With very best wishes,



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