

Monday 7th February 2022

Year 11 Prom – Friday 8th July 2022

Dear Parents/Carers of Year 11 Pupils,

With national COVID-19 restrictions beginning to ease, it is looking very likely that the Year 11 Prom will be able to go ahead as planned at the Copthorne Hotel on Friday 8th July. We are delighted that this is the case and that we can mark the end of your child's secondary education with such a wonderful and memorable occasion.

Eligibility

The Prom will be an opportunity to mark the hardwork and dedication that our Year 11 pupils have shown towards their learning and school life in general over the course of their time with us. As such, in order to be eligible to attend the Prom, pupils must achieve a successful '**Passport to Prom**', which is something that will be shared with all pupils in assembly on Monday 14th February – the day prior to tickets going on sale. The 'Passport to Prom' will require **all four** of the following criteria to have been achieved:

In each of the nine school weeks from w/c Monday 28th February to w/c 9th May:

- 1) Arrive on time to at least nine of the ten AM and PM registration sessions.
- 2) Attend at least two after-school study sessions

Over the period of the nine school weeks from w/c Monday 28th February to w/c 9th May:

- 3) Attend school for at least 95% of the time, unless this is certified by a GP note or is an absence owing to COVID-19.
- 4) Demonstrate a level of behaviour and conduct that is in line with our school behaviour policy.

Tickets

Tickets for the Prom will go on sale on Tuesday 15th February and are priced at £32, and covers the hire of the venue, decorations, a buffet meal and disco. If you would like to purchase a ticket, please complete and return the consent form overleaf and return it to the school office, along with £32 cash, cheque (made payable to The Wordsley School) or confirmation that payment has been made on Parent Pay. Forms stating that payment has been made on Parent Pay will not be accepted until we have a record that the payment has actually been made.

The deadline for tickets to be purchased and consent forms to have been returned is Friday 11th March.

Whilst we very much hope that the event can go ahead as planned, it is dependent on the three conditions below being met:

There being sufficient demand for tickets from pupils. Having liaised with the venue, in order for the event to be viable, we will require a minimum of 70 pupils to have purchased tickets by the above deadline.

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COVID-19 restrictions in place at the time of the event permit it to go ahead. At present, we are working on the assumption that COVID-19 restrictions in place at the time of the event permit it to go ahead, however, as I'm sure you will appreciate, this may change and is very much out of our control.

Successful completion of the Passport to Prom. Pupils will be informed during w/c 16th May of whether or not they have met the four criteria on the passport. We very much envisage that the vast majority of pupils, if not all, will meet the criteria.

Incentive

As an incentive to our Year 11 pupils to attend as many of the after-school study sessions as possible, the school will fully fund the cost of the prom ticket for the ten pupils who attend the most after-school study sessions between Monday 28th February and Friday 13th May. During w/c 16th May, these ten pupils will receive a refund of the cost of their ticket, which by this point they will have already paid.

Refunds

In the event of the Prom being cancelled as a result of there being insufficient demand from pupils or owing to COVID-19 restrictions, all monies paid will be refunded in full. However, in the event that a pupil has paid for a ticket but does not achieve a successful Passport to Prom, then the money paid will not be refunded.

I will write to you again regarding the Prom during w/c 14th March to advise you whether we have managed to secure the minimum number of 70 pupils. **For this reason, I strongly advise you not to spend any money on clothing, transport, etc until after you have heard from me during w/c 14th March.**

After two years of not being able to celebrate the successes of our wonderful pupils in this way, I very much hope that your child will be able to join us for what promises to be a spectacular event.

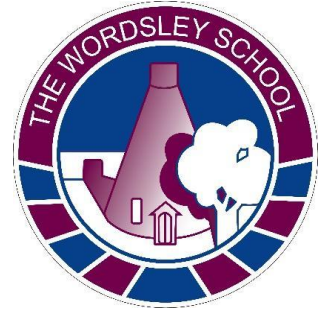
Yours sincerely,



Gareth Burton
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PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY FRIDAY 11TH MARCH

Pupil name:.....

Tutor group:.....

I give permission for my child to attend the Wordsley School Year 11 Prom on Friday 8th July. I will make arrangements for my child to arrive and be collected at the end of the evening.

(Please mark as appropriate):

I enclose £32 cash

I enclose a cheque for £32, made payable to The Wordsley School

I have made a payment of £32 on Parent Pay

Signature:.....

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