



# DARTON COLLEGE

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Principal

Friday 25th May, 2018

## End of Year 11 School Leaver Information

Dear Parent/Carer

As your son/daughters' time at Darton College is coming to a close, I am writing to you with all the Year 11 end of year arrangements.

<b>Monday 21st May - Friday 22nd June</b>	<b>Lessons during the exam period</b>	Lessons are continuing as normal during the Summer exam period up until the beginning of study leave. Where learners are not in an exam, they will be in their timetabled lesson. These will either provide specialist exam revision or if the exam has already taken place in that subject, learners will use this time to revise work for forthcoming exams. Please note that there are no 'free period' lessons for learners. They should go to their timetabled subject and be directed from there.
<b>Monday 21st May - Friday 25th May</b>  <b>Monday 4th June - Friday 22nd June</b>	<b>Revision sessions pre exams</b>	Procedures regarding pre-exam revision remain the same as they were for the February mocks. Learners should be in school at 8.30am for morning exams so that key messages from teachers can be shared. Breakfast will be provided from 8.30am onwards for these learners. Where learners have an afternoon exam, they will access an early lunch at 12.20pm to allow them to go to revision sessions from 12.40pm until 13.05pm.
<b>Tuesday 29th May - Friday 1st June</b>	<b>May half term plans</b>	Your child has been invited to attend a revision class during the May half term holiday. Morning sessions run from 10:00am - 12:00pm and afternoon sessions begin at 12:30pm - 14:30. The session will follow the same format as previous holiday revision slots where no refreshments or food are available on site. Learners have already been given their individual revision bookings.
<b>Monday 4th June</b>	<b>Leavers sweatshirt/ T shirts</b>	It has been agreed that the sweatshirts, polo shirts and T shirts may be worn by Year 11 learners instead of their school uniform shirt, tie and blazer from Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> June. However, the standard school uniform trousers, skirts and shoes must still be worn. Purchasing these items was optional; therefore if you have chosen not to buy them, please ensure your child wears their full school uniform.

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<b>Monday 4th June - Monday 25th June</b>	<b>Prom tickets</b>	Tickets will be on sale from the Admin/Finance office, at a cost of £20.00 per person from Monday 4th June until Monday 25th June. The ticket cost covers the venue, disco, food, candy buffet, decorations and a photo booth. Where learners have completed their prom passport, thicketts will be issued free of charge to all that qualify. We encourage all Year 11 learners to have had their Prom Passports stamped indicating the revision sessions that they have attended. The school does reserve the right to refuse entry to any learner breaking the school's behaviour expectations on or before the evening.
<b>Friday 15th June</b>	<b>Leavers assembly</b>	<p>A special Leavers' Assembly will take place at 11.45am following the final Science exam. Learners will be expected to be off site by 12.30pm. They will have had time to say their final goodbyes to colleagues and peers before this time.</p> <p>iPads must be returned to Mr Clapham on Friday 15th June. Learners should return the plug, charging cable and case. This will be done prior to the leavers' assembly. Earphones do not need to be returned. There will be a slot of time between the end of the Science exam and the start of the Leavers' Assembly where learners will be able to drop their iPads off in the lecture theatre. Any learners that still have exams after this date are able to keep their iPads but <u>must</u> return them to Mr Clapham on the day of their final exam.</p>
<b>Monday 18th June</b>	<b>Study leave</b>	Study leave will commence on Monday 18th June where learners are required to be in school for their exams taking place in this final week of the exam period.
<b>Friday 22nd June</b>	<b>Return of school property</b>	<p>This date signals the end of the Summer exam period for our Year 11 learners. Learners are asked to clear any outstanding catering charges where they have debts that have been accrued prior to their leaving date. Failure to do so will result in a request being sent to parents/carers.</p> <p>I ask for your support in ensuring that your child returns any school property prior to their last exam date. Darton College reserves the right to charge for items that have not been returned.</p> <p>Library books should be returned to Mrs Gracie in the school library.</p> <p>Locker keys should be returned to the Admin/Finance Office. The £5.00 deposit will be refunded back to your child.</p>

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If you feel that your child is struggling with any element of their work or wellbeing, please do not hesitate to make contact with school and we will support you/your son/daughter in the best way possible. Please encourage your child to maintain their momentum and stamina to work as hard as possible over the exam period. I am extremely pleased with the focus, behaviour and attitude of Year 11 as a whole. Many learners are regularly staying for after-school revision classes and attending pre exam sessions. I would encourage them to continue this in order to be adequately prepared and give them the very best chance of achieving the grades they aspire to. Extra revision with a teacher at this stage can make a profound difference to your child's overall grade/achievement. Please encourage your son/daughter to make the most of these opportunities.

On behalf of all staff, it has been a privilege and pleasure to work with Year 11 over the last five years and we wish them a successful exam period and the best of luck for the future.

Yours faithfully

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