

Ref: GSK/MLO
10th May 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: Year 11 Leavers Summer 2021

I am pleased to be writing to you to confirm the arrangements for the end of the school year for our Year 11 students. To say this past year, for our current Year 11 students, has been challenging is an understatement. However, despite the challenges and uncertainties of the past year, they have demonstrated, and continue to re demonstrate, real maturity and resilience in ensuring that they achieve their potential.

I have been privileged to see our current Year 11 students throughout their whole time at Outwood Academy Redcar and for them to be at this point in their education, continuing to work hard in order to secure their Teacher Assessed Grades, is testament to them, but also testament to the support and guidance they have received from home. Thank you for your continued support of all that we do for your children. I am sure you will want to join me in thanking the brilliant staff team at Outwood Redcar who have, over the past five years, done so much for each of our Year 11 leavers. It is by working together that we achieve so much for our young people.

Students in Year 11 will finish their studies in the academy on **Friday 28 May 2021**. From this date onwards a programme of online learning and activities will be available to prepare students for their next steps at college, sixth form, or chosen apprenticeship. Further details of this online programme will be shared shortly, and it will include a mixture of academic mentoring, careers information and tutor support. **However, any student who has not completed assessments, or who has gaps in their evidence to support any Teacher Assessed Grades will still be required to attend the Academy.** It is therefore of significant importance that all students continue to work exceptionally hard to ensure a full and complete portfolio of evidence. We will make contact with you directly if it is required that your child continues to physically attend school.

Whilst we are disappointed not to be able to hold a Prom this year due to the uncertainty around ongoing restrictions, we will make our Year 11 leavers' last day at Outwood Academy Redcar a celebration of their hard work, great memories and friendships. During the morning of Friday 28 May, we will host a leavers' assembly and brunch, which will include an opportunity for shirt signing and photographs. We will bid our Year 11 students a fond farewell when they leave us at 11.00am on that day.

I will write to you again shortly confirming arrangements for the collection of GCSE and vocational qualification results, which will take place during the morning of Thursday 12 August 2021.

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Thank you again for supporting Outwood Academy Redcar, it is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions about any of the arrangements for the end of term for Year 11, please do not hesitate to contact us via the telephone number or email address above.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'GSKM', with a stylized flourish extending downwards from the end.

Graham Skidmore
Head of School