14th June 2018

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 11,

Physics Exam Tomorrow – Friday, 15th June 2018

As a quick follow-up to the letter I sent to you yesterday, I thought it worth sharing with you that I have heard a few students talking about their plans for celebrating the end of their exams after the end of the Physics paper tomorrow.

In previous years, and in many schools, high spirits and celebrations have often led to damage and distress through over-exuberant behaviour. I would ask, please, that you remind your child that the rest of the school will continue to be in session and that any behaviour that could disrupt their learning or safety cannot be accommodated. It is also worth noting that not all exams finish at the same time, and so loud noises of celebration by Year 11 will disturb the Year 13 students in their exams.

We look forward to sharing in the celebrations of some of the students, but are aware that others still have more papers to sit next week. The Prom is taking place on the 25th June and this is the place for the whole year group to get together and mark the end of this stage of their education.

Students do not need much equipment for their exam – a pencil case and a water bottle will suffice. Their lockers are now not in use and so it is easiest for them not to bring a bag. Mobile phones can be collected by senior staff before the exam and kept safely for return at the end. If your child is bringing a bag to school, it should not contain some of the things that have been used for ‘celebration’ in the past (eggs, flour etc!).

If you are concerned at all about the safety of your child, you might want to arrange to collect them at the end of the exam?

Very best wishes,

Cath Smith
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