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Dear Year 11 Parents and Carers,

Re: Year 11 Updates during the Coronavirus Pandemic

We thank you for your continued patience and understanding during the Coronavirus pandemic., As a school, and as a community, we have had to adapt an unprecedented set of circumstances. None of us know how long this situation will continue, or when we will be able to reopen the school. Along with the rest of the country we are monitoring developments day-by-day, as more information becomes available.

Considering these issues, we have prioritised events that concern our Year 11 cohort for your review

Updated Year 11 Calendar – Subject to change determined by Government directives:

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| • Mar – July | Free School Meals (FSM) | See details below |
| • May to June | GCSE & BTEC Exams | Cancelled (see below) |
| • Fri 26 th June | Graduation & Prom | Cancelled (see below) |
| • Thu 20 th Aug | GSE/BTEC Results Day | See below |
| • Dec 2020 | Certificate Issuing | To be confirmed (see below) |

Free School Meals (FSM)

We have issued vouchers via email to the parents of children who are eligible for free school meals. These vouchers can be scanned from a phone and used at supermarkets.

To claim vouchers parents will need to complete and return a simple form that has been sent to email addresses. If you have not received a voucher, please check your 'Junk' or 'Spam' boxes of your email. The form or the vouchers may have been diverted to these boxes.

Parents and carers who have had a change in circumstances might find that their child(ren) are now eligible to receive free school meal vouchers. Please check the Gladesmore Website and notify the school admin@gladesmore.com sending any relevant documentation you may have so that these may be assessed and processed.



GCSE and BTEC Examinations

We wrote in April. Examinations will not be going ahead this academic year. The Class of 2020 will be awarded grades based on the work that they have completed so far and the improvement that they would typically have made by the time of the examinations. The teachers assessment of Year 11 will be used by the DFE to award grades. Details from Ofqual are published on the Gladesmore Website. We are not expecting students to be disadvantaged by the government's decision.

Graduation & Prom

Sadly, due to Coronavirus and the lockdown, this event is cancelled. We appreciate that for parents and students this is very disappointing news as its is for members of staff, particularly those who work closely with Year 11. We will be arranging refunds for those who have paid for their prom ticket over the coming weeks.

GCSE & BTEC Results Day

Results for students will be available on Thursday 20th August. We will contact you nearer the time to provide further detail on this event, particularly in regard to social distancing and how this may affect collection of results. We will also be investigating the possibility of emailing students their results.

GSCE/BTEC Certificate Evening

In December, students who graduated from Gladesmore in the summer have the opportunity to collect their GCSE certificates. We will look to confirm the date of this event as soon as we can and also look to see if we can make this event more special than usual in light of the cancellation of the Class of 2020 Graduation and Prom.

Sixth Form & College

Most Year 11 students will now have at least one confirmed offer from a 6th Form or College for September, if you do not please contact Mr Larvin on pln@gladesmore.com. We know that many of these post 16 providers have contacted Year 11 students to provide guidance on how to most effectively study during the lockdown. The most important piece of guidance is to spend some time revising your GCSE subjects as this will support you when you start your new courses at 6th Form or College.

We have attached to this email a reading list provided by the London Academy of Excellence, Tottenham that gives suggestions on what to read in preparation for A Level courses.

Finally, we have also attached a link to a google forms survey that all Year 11 students must complete for Haringey. This is called the September guarantee and asks students to name their preferred 6th Form or College based on the offer(s) they have received.

<https://forms.gle/ag2WYRGRJh8kELxKA>

Further information can be found on the school website - www.gladesmore.com > Parent & Student Zone > Sixth Form & Colleges.

Stay safe

Please continue to follow the Public Health England advice and if you or your child feels ill and you want to know what to do next, please use [NHS 111 online](#).

Thank you again for your continued support, we will be in touch with more information when we can.

Sincerely

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