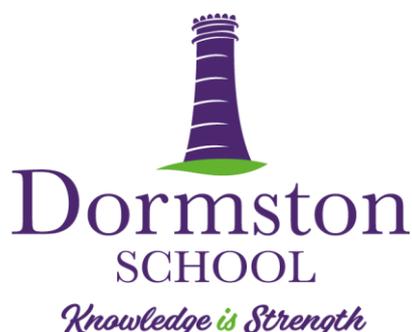


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ALL YEAR 11 STUDENTS



Dear Students

Exam Results

I hope you are all keeping well in these difficult circumstances. As yet, we have not received further information from the Department for Education and are continuing to follow the official guidance from the Government, which is that exams including GCSEs will not go ahead this summer.

IMPORTANT - In light of the above, we ask that you all keep any mock exams that have been returned to you by your teachers as well as any other key pieces of assessment. It would be best for you to keep all your work (including any portfolios of practical work) until your final grade allocation has been made. Please rest assured that as your teachers, we know you well and will be completely honest about your capabilities and as soon as we are able to give you further information, we will do so.

As yet, I have not been able to get any clarification regarding Prom dates and unfortunately in the current climate it seems unlikely that we will be able to offer hoodies/leavers books at this stage, but once things have stabilised I will be looking into this again.

Post 16 Next Steps Update

Those who have already applied for college, the colleges have assured us that they will honour their original offer. Please do not worry if you have not had an interview as colleges will be in contact with you as soon as they have reopened. If you have not yet applied, you can still apply online and colleges will get back to you ASAP. Please do not worry if you do not hear from them immediately. Those who were hoping to secure an apprenticeship should also make an application to college as a back-up as some employers may not be in a position to offer you a placement in September. If you need further assistance please see the PowerPoint on the school website under Announcements > Work from Home > **Careers** > Careers Resources Year 11. Additional links can be found on the Careers Education & Guidance Section on the website. We will keep you updated as and when we get any further information from the colleges.

Spending your Time Wisely

Please remember that as young people you can take advantage of these difficult times in a positive way, by supporting your friends and family as well as others in your community. It would be great to hear some of your stories and these can be emailed directly to me, if you are happy to, I can then share them with Year 11. As I have said previously, learning a new skill and developing your CV are also some of the things you can spend your time on. In addition to this, you could do some research on the subject/topics you will be covering at college. All of these are great ways in which you can utilise your time in the coming weeks.

Health & Wellbeing

Just a reminder that as Year 11 students you are still very much a part of Dormston School and therefore your Form Tutor, Head of House and Deputy Head of House and I are all available via email. If you need somebody else to talk to please go on our website under Safeguarding > Wellbeing where you will find lots of information. Remember your welfare is important to us and we will continue to support you in any way we can.

Yours sincerely

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