

June 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

As we enter the final few weeks of the examination period, I would like to begin by thanking you for your continued support throughout the exam period. Your encouragement, patience, and commitment have played a vital role in helping our students stay focused and motivated during this important time. We would also like to commend our Year 11 students for their hard work, dedication, and resilience over the past few weeks. They have approached their exams with maturity and determination, and we are incredibly proud of the effort they have shown.

### **When is the last day of term?**

Your child will sit their last formal GCSE examination on the morning of Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June. This examination is due to be completed by 11:00am and after this examination students will be able to leave school and make their way home. Whilst this will be an emotional day for the students this will not be our day of 'celebration' and shirt signing. We find that, as examinations are still running for some students, it is not possible to hold our leavers assembly and celebration event after the final exam. Your child has spent five wonderful years at our school and we want to make sure our shirt signing and celebration is a fabulous occasion and not an event that is rushed after an examination.

### **Could my child be required to attend school after 16<sup>th</sup> June?**

In short, yes. Please be aware that all Year 11 students must remain available for a potential contingency day on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June. This date has been set aside by exam boards and may be used if any national exams need to be rescheduled due to unforeseen circumstances. If your child is required to attend on this day, we will provide as much notice as possible to ensure you are fully informed and can make any necessary arrangements.

### **When will the Year 11 leavers assembly take place?**

Our leavers assembly and celebration event will take place on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June from 9am. During this time Mr Westhead and Miss Marnell will take the students on a trip down memory lane and celebrate some of the wonderful achievements that have accomplished during their time at Cowley (we may have even found some old Y7 photos to dust off)! During this time students will be able to share memories, sign shirts and leavers books, take photographs and reflect on their last few years together as a cohort.



### **When is the Year 11 Prom?**

As you are aware, the Year 11 Prom will be taking place on Wednesday 2nd July 2025. This event is a fantastic opportunity for students to celebrate the end of their time at school and enjoy an evening with their peers in a formal setting. Further details about the venue, timings, and ticket information will continue to be shared by Mr Westhead under separate cover.

Whilst our leavers assembly and Prom are both meaningful opportunities for students to reflect on their journey and say farewell to staff and peers, please be aware that attendance at the assembly and Prom is a privilege. Any student who has seriously misbehaved or disrupted learning during the final weeks of term may not be permitted to attend either event. We expect all students to continue demonstrating respectful and responsible behaviour right up to the end of their time with us.

Thank you for your ongoing support and collaboration during this important time. Should you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours faithfully

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