

17th July 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: YEAR 11 - End of term

Throughout the lockdown period, top-up work has been provided to all Year 11 students in order to support them with their next steps. A weekly assembly programme and a weekly tutor time session has been in place for all Year 11 students. I am pleased that some students have continued to engage with the school, via the tutor time session. If students wish to review any of the assemblies they may have missed these are accessible on their tutor group team on Microsoft Teams. On Teams, we have also shared information about further education institutions, free online courses and V-talks, as well as a package of resources focused on wellbeing and mental health. Students will still be able to access all of these resources over the Summer should they wish to.

As a school we recognise that this year has been a challenge for our Year 11 cohort: Along with their exams being cancelled they have also missed out on other key celebrations that would normally take place towards the end of the school year. In order to celebrate the cohort and reminisce on their time with us, the tutors have prepared a short video for them to view, please click this [link](#).

GCSE Results Day 2020 is another occasion when we will have to support our students in a way that is different to our normal way of working. I know that receiving GCSE results is a significant rite of passage for many students and, despite the need to maintain requirements of social distancing, we want to make sure that every student receives their results and has the opportunity to discuss them with a member of staff. I will therefore outline the process for GCSE Results Day on **Thursday 20th August 2020** below:

Results day - Thursday 20th August 2020

I am pleased to say that we will be running a 'face to face' results day, though our arrangements for collecting results on site will be fully compliant with social distancing guidelines:

- Please enter the site via the main gates, results will be collected from the Sports Hall and signage will be in place to guide you around the building to this area of the school.
- Parents will need to wait in their cars outside and must not leave their vehicles. If you are accompanying your child on foot, please ensure that you remain outside of our front gates.
- Students need to sanitise their hands at the sanitisation station as they enter the Sports Hall.
- Collection times will be staggered by tutor group, there will be socially distanced queueing in place.

Please can you ensure that your child arrives only in their allocated tutor group slot as identified below: If they do not attend their slot, results will be posted home at the end of the day.

11C	8.30
11T	9.00
11S	9.30

If your son/daughter is not able to collect exam results in person, they can call the school after 11:30am and be given their results over the phone. Please note that the school will not be able to give results to anyone else (including family members) without written consent from your child.

Our careers advisor Mrs Thompson will be available at school during the morning of the 20th August, and appointments will also be available on Friday 21st August. We will maintain contact with your child as much as is required to ensure they are fully supported with their next steps.

The Department for Education requires that we collect information about the intended learning destinations from every student who leaves Corby Technical School at the end of Year 11. Our careers advisor, Julie Thompson, will continue to work with students to provide careers advice and guidance and ensure they have a sustainable destination following their results. She can be contacted by email jthompson@corbytechnicalschool.org. After results day, Year 11 students must make a final decision on where they are going in September and confirm their places. If a student's choice of destination has changed following results day, the school need information to confirm the student's new destination.

Year 11 students who are not staying on to attend the Corby Technical School Sixth Form in September 2020 **must confirm their actual destination** no later than **Wednesday 16th September 2020**, so that the school can comply with this legal requirement in due time. Our careers advisor will be contacting any students for whom we do not have their destination information.

If you would like to review the DfE information regarding how exam grades are awarded please visit the DfE website. There is some useful information for parents/carers [here](#), some Ofqual guidance for students can also be found [here](#).

Corby Technical School Sixth Form

Mrs Arnold will be available to meet with students who would like to return to Corby Technical School for sixth form during the morning. We have a fantastic range of options for your son/daughter, and of course we would relish the chance to work with them for two more years. To review further information about our sixth form offer please visit our [website](#) where you will find a short video detailing this. There are also some newly developed videos that explain each of the [subjects](#) on offer. If you would like any further information, please contact Mrs Arnold on larnold@corbytechnicalschool.org who will be available from Monday 17th August.

The first day of term for Year 12 students is the 4th September 2020. Further details regarding their induction and the return to school arrangements will be available to students following results day.

We recognise that this continues to be a very strange time for all concerned. We have greatly missed seeing your son/daughter in school over the past few months, missed watching them tackle exams, and have been saddened not to be able to celebrate the end of their journey with us in person.

We wish them all the very best for their future endeavours.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs A Reynolds
Principal