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### Year 11 Important Information - Term 3

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of Term 3, our thoughts now turn to the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead for Year 11 students in particular. We recognise that the past year has been a tough experience for students and their families. Rednock School is committed to supporting your child throughout the remaining months and beyond and this letter provides key updates and information that is relevant at this time.

### Year 11 Assembly - February 2021

On Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February, an assembly was presented to Year 11 students outlining what they should expect in the coming months. Miss Chinnock and myself talked about destinations, preparing for next steps at the end of Year 11 and the importance of self-motivation as well as striving for goals. We took this opportunity to celebrate individual student achievements in the December mock exams and shared details of what assessments may look like when Year 11 students return to school. Finally, I provided an update on the current position with regards to the end of Year 11, Class of 2021, celebration events.

### December Mock Exam Celebrations

In spite of the journey through their GCSE years being fraught with difficulties, unlike any other cohort before them, our Year 11 students have much to be proud of already. Subject teachers have nominated students for Progress, Effort and Attainment in their recent Mock exams, and certificates recognising the achievements of these students are being posted home. We look forward to seeing how our Year 11 students build on their mocks in their classwork over the next few months.

The following students have been awarded certificates in recognition of effort, progress or attainment in the exams:

Effort	Progress	Attainment
Yafet Tesheme Alex Bloodworth Max Gay Chloe Burton Simeon Gruber Mitchell White Brody Prout Charlotte Morse Lauren Whittaker Caitlin Swift Llahnie-Mae Whitlock Henry Seal Harry Palmer Freya Coombs Grayce Currie	Amber Toffi Lillie Morgan Cruz Ford Charlie Utting Tessa Bishop Rowan Keeble Hannah Parker Emma Brown Ayd Perry Hanna Dolder Josh Lawrence James Moir Melissa Clark Maddy Jones Harry Turl	Sioltach McGingle Adam Peake Phoebe Booth Bernard Lansdown Megan Ashford Rosie Bond Nicola Ferranti Rosanna Spears Jason Clutterbuck Cara Pickard Noah Hunter

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Joe Orchard Aleisha Walker Clara Davies	Matty Halsey Emily Zanone Lily Fullylove Max Richards Alanah Williams Alice Loewenthal Will Sweeting Jamie-Lea Johns	
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### **Rednock 6<sup>th</sup> Form and Post-16 Destinations**

In Term 4, Lifeskills lessons will focus on Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG) with the aim of supporting students to access the most appropriate Post-16 progression route at the end of Year 11. In this year, of all years, this is critical for Year 11 students. If your child is undecided on what they would like to do next, then I would recommend that you look at the resources on the school website:

<https://rednockschool.org.uk/information-advice-guidance/careers/>

The Rednock 6th Form Team are currently reviewing and processing the students' application forms. All applicants will be invited to an online appointment shortly. This will involve a 5 minute interview with a member of the 6th Form Team. Students who have not applied to Rednock 6th Form will be contacted to ensure that they have secured a placement for September 2021. There is a place for any of the current Year 11 students at Rednock 6th Form next year, subject to the course entry requirements.

### **Summer 2021 Qualifications**

At the time of writing, the Ofqual consultation on the award of GCSE and A-Level qualifications in Summer 2021 has closed. Secondary schools and colleges around the country are waiting for guidance on the procedure that schools will follow as part of the process to award qualifications this summer. For more details, please go to the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/gcse-as-and-a-level-qualifications-in-2021>

What we do know, is that schools will need a robust set of evidence to support any judgements as part of the process. There is a suggestion that exam boards will set mini assessments that schools can use to support their judgements. This means that when Year 11 students return to school, they will sit another set of mock exams. This will be done in a supportive manner with students being given time to settle back into school and given advance warning for each exam paper. Once we have written confirmation from Ofqual on the process and next steps, we will communicate this in detail to students, parents and carers.

We will confirm the dates for mock exams and assessments including details on what will be assessed at each point and the support materials and sessions that the school will offer. To enable students to have the best possible chance of demonstrating their subject knowledge and skills in these exams, they need to keep on top of their work. They must continue to attend and engage with online lessons by completing all of the work set by teachers. Students must also ensure that actions to improve from the last set of mock exams have been completed; these will have been communicated to parents/carers during the recent Year 11 Parents' Consultation Meeting. Finally, encourage your child to seek help from school if they are struggling with their work.

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### **Class of 2021 Celebration Events**

It is highly unlikely that we will be able to celebrate the end of Year 11 in a traditional Rednock way due to national restrictions regarding social gatherings. However, we do want to mark the end of the year in a positive way and celebrate the perseverance and determination demonstrated by the students during this pandemic.

### **Year 11 Class of 2021 Yearbook**

We hope to produce a Class of 2021 Yearbook to celebrate your child's time at Rednock School. This will be a professionally produced, personalised book. Inside there will be pictures showing the different events and activities the year group has been involved in during their time at Rednock.

Miss Clark sent out a Google Form to all Year 11 students via email on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2021, inviting students to register their interest for the Class of 2021 Yearbooks. We need to know how many students would like to purchase a Yearbook as this will determine the price of the product. Should you not be able to find the original invitation, please let Miss Clark know and she will re-send the link.

The deadline for completion of this form is Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2021. We will be sending out a separate Yearbook letter in due course to inform parents/carers and students of all of the relevant information.

### **Data and Photo Consent Form**

Towards the end of October, we sent out a 'Year 11 Important Information' letter to all parents/carers. Within this letter we included a celebratory events data collection form. We asked parents/carers to indicate if they are happy for us to use images taken and their child's full name to appear on the Leavers' Hoodies. Please contact Miss Clark via email ([rosie.clark@rednockschool.org.uk](mailto:rosie.clark@rednockschool.org.uk)) if you have misplaced this form as we do require it to be completed to move forward with the Hoodie and Yearbook process.

### **Year 11 Class of 2021 Leavers' Hoodies**

Every year, our Year 11 students have the opportunity to order School Leavers' Hoodies. These have been very popular in previous years and students enjoy wearing them on their celebration day in May. They are nice to keep as a memory of their year group at Rednock.

Hoodies are available in all sizes and a variety of colours. Orders are to be made directly via the company 'Batemans Sports' who supply our school uniform, on their website:

<https://www.batemanssports.co.uk/catalogsearch/result/?q=+Rednock+school>

Hoodies will be delivered to the school, and will be handed out to those who have purchased one (before the deadline) before the celebration day in May. Please make sure when ordering you select "CLICK & COLLECT" to avoid any carriage charges!

You will find a copy of the design on the reverse of this letter, together with the website step by step instructions. Please note, students will have the option to choose a name/nickname on the reverse of their hoodie, an appropriate name/nickname can be added to your hoodie before you checkout on the Batemans website. These names will be checked

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by the School to ensure that they are suitable before the printing process takes place. The final deadline for all orders is **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2021**. Orders CANNOT be added after this date.

The order process is straight forward but if you have any problems, please do not hesitate to contact us for assistance by emailing Miss Clark - [rosie.clark@rednockschool.org.uk](mailto:rosie.clark@rednockschool.org.uk).

Thank you for taking the time to read all of this and to respond to our questions. We want to ensure that Year 11 students have the best experience they can in these extraordinary times and we look forward to celebrating their many achievements with them.

Please take care and continue to communicate with us so that we can support you throughout the rest of the academic year and beyond,

Yours faithfully,



**Dr Sharron Cunningham**  
**Deputy Headteacher**

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## Ordering your Year 11 "Class of 2021" Hoodies

Please order your Year 11 "Class of 21" Hoodies directly from Bateman Sports website.

<https://www.batemanssports.co.uk/catalogsearch/result/?q=+Rednock+school>

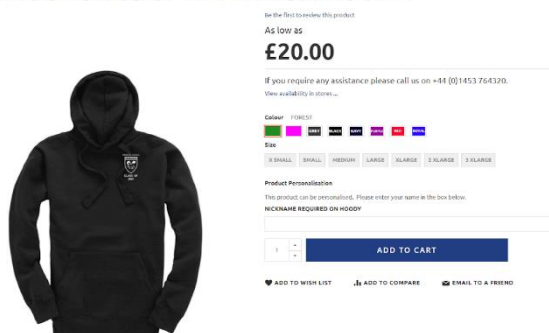
These are the chosen designs for ALL styles, with a selection of colours of hoodies available.

**ALL** of the embroidery and printing is white, so please choose your hoodie colour carefully for the full effect.

## Approved Designs for 2021

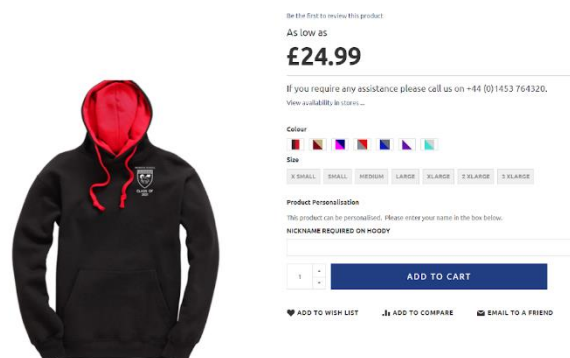
### **Rednock Premium Hoodie - Class of 2021 - £20.00**

REDNOCK CLASS OF 21 PREMIUM HOODY.



### **Rednock Premium Contrast Hoodie - Class of 2021 - £24.99**

REDNOCK CLASS OF 21 CONTRAST HOODY.



Choose from the available colours to make yours unique. Please note you can submit a nickname to personalise your hoodie when selecting your size.

Bateman Sports MUST receive your order by **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2021**. All of the hoodies are made from heavy weight fabric giving them a really comfy feel.

- Available from XS - 3XL

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