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Dear Parent / Carer / Year 11 Scholar

## **Parents Evening: Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 3.45pm**

We are writing to you to provide a year 11 update and inform you about mock exam results.

Year 11 have just completed their final set of mock exams, and they have done exceptionally well. We are proud of their hard work and their achievements and look forward to sharing their results with you.

In just **seven** school weeks your child will start their actual GCSE exams. This is much sooner than perhaps they realise! Please encourage your child to have a revision plan, attend intervention and all the extra sessions that teachers run at weekends and in the holidays. I will write to you shortly to give some top tips for 'how scholars should revise' so that you can support your child at home. This period of time can be overwhelming, please reach out to Mr Roberts, Miss Harvey or myself if you or your child needs any additional support.

## **Period 6**

Please be aware that there is no period 6 on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March. Please make arrangements for your child to get home safely.

## **Mock Exam Results and Final Parents Evening**

All scholars will receive their mock exam results on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March**. We would like to warmly welcome you into the academy to speak to your child's subject teachers on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March from 3.45pm – 6.30pm following their results. We believe that these conversations are some of the most important conversations that take place in year 11, so please do attend.

The booking system on MCAS is live and you can book these appointments from now until Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 11.59pm.

This link gives guidance on how to book parents evening appointments: [How to book Parents Evening appointments](#)

## **Rewards and Prom**

On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March we are celebrating year 11 attendance and hard work with a rewards afternoon. All scholars that achieved 100% attendance last week will be able to opt into an afternoon of Sports, or enjoy Games, Karaoke, and a Quiz.

We are also paying for year 11 prom tickets this year to reward our scholars for the sustained effort that are showing this year. As I previously explained, your child does need to maintain high attendance and low demerits if they want the ticket to remain free. So far around 95% of scholars still have a free ticket, which is brilliant!

To remind you of the criteria I have listed them below:

- The ticket remains free if your child has attendance above 97% and your child receives less than 20 demerits between January and the prom.
- Your child is still warmly invited to prom but must purchase a ticket if their attendance is between 90% and 97%, or they receive more than 20 demerits, between January and the prom.
- Your child will not be able to attend prom if their attendance drops below 90% (without an approved reason), or they have significant behaviour issues between now and the prom.

Some year 11 scholars are picking up the odd demerit for being late to the academy. Please remind your child to attend promptly to avoid these demerits affecting their prom ticket!

All decisions regarding prom attendance are at the discretion of Mr Scales.

### **College and Careers Appointments:**

All year 11 scholars should have applied for at least two post-16 places by now. Your child might also wish to apply for an apprenticeship, which tend to be advertised between April and June. If your child intends to apply for an apprenticeship, they still need to have applied for a college/sixth form place as a backup. Please check deadlines with individual colleges and sixth forms, they are fast approaching. We are happy to support with these applications.

All year 11 scholars will have a careers appointment with our independent careers advisor, Lindsey Tugby-Andrew. Scholars are able to request an additional appointment by speaking to Mr Simon Harper. Lindsey will then schedule an appointment for a scholar the following week. Parents are able to request support or guidance from Lindsey by emailing Lindsey. Please be aware that Lindsey only works on a Thursday and will reply during working hours on a Thursday.

Lindsey Tugby-Andrews Email: [Lindsey.Tugby-Andrew@astreaacademytrust.org](mailto:Lindsey.Tugby-Andrew@astreaacademytrust.org)

### **Additional dates to be aware of:**

**Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> February** – Year 11 Mock 3

**Tues 17<sup>th</sup> March** – Year 11 Mock Results Day & Year 11 Parents Evening

**Mon 4<sup>th</sup> May** – GCSE exams start

**Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> June** – FINAL EXAM and Leavers Event

**Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> June** – Provisional Prom Date

**Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> August** – GCSE Results Day

If you have any further enquiries, please do not hesitate to email us

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Yours sincerely,



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