

16 December 2020

**Dear Parents and Carers of students in Year 11**

I hope this letter finds you safe and well. We are approaching the end of a long and challenging Autumn term. Thanks for your continued support. It is very much appreciated in these ever-challenging times.

I am proud of the way in which Duke's has adapted to the constantly changing guidelines and maintained a high quality of education for our students.

Duke's is fortunate to have a committed and dedicated team of staff who will pursue every avenue for the benefit of our students.

As the Christmas holidays approach, please note carefully the arrangements below for the end of this term and start of the Spring term.

1. The Academy closes for all students on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December at **3pm**, and reopens on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021 for students at the normal time of 8.45am.
2. **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January is a staff INSET Day.**
3. Please see the revised Year 11 bubble for entrance and exit to the school below:

	<b>Entrance and exit</b>	<b>Arrive</b>	<b>Finish</b>
Year 7	Worcester Avenue student entrance	8:45	3:00
Year 8	Basketball Court entrance	8:45	3:00
Year 9	Compound entrance and alongside Astro-turf	8:45	3:10
Year 10	Sports Centre entrance and through Sports Centre into quiet area	8:45	3:15
<b>Year 11</b>	<b>Trulock Road entrance</b>	<b>8:45</b>	<b>3:30</b>

4. Please see attached school equipment available to buy from the school in Purple Lane.

5. If you are eligible for Free School Meal Vouchers, these will be sent to you via email on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December.
6. Please note the school newsletter will be posted on the website on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December.
7. Please note that the Year 11 Mock Exam Results assembly will be on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

**A message from the Chair of Governors – Malcolm Weston on behalf of Duke's Aldridge Academy Governing Body:**

On behalf of the Governing Body, may I wish you and your family a very happy and peaceful Christmas and New Year, and to those families that do not celebrate Christmas a restful holiday period.

Wishing you and your family Season's Greetings from all staff and governors.

Yours faithfully



**M. Duncan**  
**Principal**

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- School Equipment Price List