

20 March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Hopefully this letter will address the most common concerns we have received from parents of Year 11 pupils over the recent days.

Year 11 Exams

The education minister said yesterday that there will be no exams for Year 11 pupils in this academic year. He also stressed that no Year 11 pupil will be disadvantaged as a result of the decision to cancel these exams. We have no further information on how GCSE grades will be given but hopefully more information clarifying this will be issued today.

Monies Owed -

Lockers, School Lunch Balances and Buses

We have not yet had the time to issue refunds for outstanding monies owed to Year 11 pupils.

The plan is to issue a single refund which will cover locker deposits, outstanding balances on the school lunch system and any outstanding bus fare money. Please note, the school can only refund the AVA Coach bus monies; all other bus and coach services are run by Lancashire County Council and parents will need to contact them directly for a refund.

The date of any refund will be dependent on the latest advice regarding Coronavirus.

Blood Brothers and Wembley Trips

Refunds for these two trips were issued to pupils yesterday and today. Any Year 11 pupil who hasn't yet collected a refund will receive it in the refund of all outstanding balances (see above).

Year 11 Leavers Hoodies

These will be ordered as normal and distributed to pupils at the same time we refund all outstanding monies.

Year 11 Prom

The Prom will not go ahead on the planned date. We have spoken to Year 11 and most seem to want to delay the Prom rather than cancel. We are therefore planning to hold onto the Prom money

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and rebook at some point later in the year. If you would prefer a full refund please email the finance officer, Mrs Cookson, via j.cookson@priory.lancs.sch.uk. Again, refunds for the Prom will be distributed at the same time we refund all outstanding monies.

Careers Advice and Guidance

Mrs Khan, Priory's Independent Careers Advisor, will be working throughout the school closure. Mrs Khan can be contacted initially by email s.khan@priory.lancs.sch.uk and then will be more than happy to follow up with an individual careers talk over the phone.

Yours faithfully



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