



Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian

## Year 11 Update

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May, we were delighted to spend time together, ending with our leavers' assembly, with our Year 11 students to reminisce and reflect on their journey throughout five years at Wellfield. Their behaviour and attitude throughout the assessment period last half term was excellent and they have responded brilliantly to the range of challenges they have faced over the course of their GCSE course.

### Maintaining Contact

We are mindful that many of our students will have been making use of the past week to complete some of the bridging activities we have shared with students from local colleges to help them prepare for the next step in their academic careers whilst others may well still require additional help and support. As your son/daughter very much remains a key part of the Wellfield family, we will be reaching out to them directly over the coming weeks. A member of staff will be in touch to ensure that your son/daughter knows we are still here to help and support in a number of ways and will determine in an initial discussion how much contact is required over the coming weeks. We may discuss:

- General wellbeing and mental health
- Post 16 options
- Bridging activities
- Support we can provide
- Careers advice and support

### Post 16 Bridging Activities

*There are a range of excellent bridging activities that have been created by local colleges which have previously been shared with your son/daughter to enable a smooth transition from school to college. A copy of these activities is attached.*

### Hoodies and Leavers Books

We are still awaiting the delivery of hoodies and leavers books and, as soon as they arrive, we will be in touch to organise for students to come and collect them from the school office. This may be up to a month as the companies producing these are very busy currently.

### **Valedictory Dinner**

We are continuing to closely monitor all updates and recommendations from the government and, at this stage, we are still hoping for the Valedictory dinner to go ahead on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July. As the government has this week announced a packed of enhanced response in Lancashire to tackle the Delta variant and an announcement regarding the further lifting of restrictions from 21<sup>st</sup> June is due soon, we will continue to closely monitor all advice and guidance over the coming weeks with regards to the prom going ahead. At this stage, we are hoping this will go ahead to allow us to enjoy the evening with your son/daughter. However, we would like to remind you that, as previously stated, the prom will only go ahead if allowed. We are aware that the evening can be costly for parents so we would again suggest that it would be sensible to wait until nearer the time before purchasing expensive clothes and transport for the evening, for example.

### **GCSE Results Day**

A reminder that GCSE results day is slightly earlier than usual this year, on Thursday 12 August. As we develop a full understanding of the national picture in the coming weeks, we will confirm the details and arrangements for results day.

In the meantime, if we can help your son/daughter in any way or you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to contact us ([enquiries@whs.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@whs.lancs.sch.uk)).

Yours sincerely,

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