



12<sup>th</sup> June 2017

Dear Parent/Carer,

### Year 11 Leaving Arrangements

We are writing to make you aware of arrangements for your son/daughter as they near to the end their time at Gateacre School. Please make yourself familiar with the following important dates and times and the arrangements that go with them. Also included are some points about expectations until the end of their time here.

#### Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June

The official date for leaving is Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2017. **However, students are not expected to attend school after they have sat their very last exam**, so the actual school leaving date for your son/daughter will be when they have completed their very last paper.

On the morning of Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June, there will be a Leavers' Assembly to recognise the time your child has spent with us and the dedication they have shown over the past 5 years. Like us, you may be thinking to yourself "Where has the time gone?" During this celebration, your child will be permitted to sign each other's Leavers' Book/Shirt. Any signing of shirts prior to this date will lead to your child being asked to go home and return with a clean shirt.

#### Expectations

- **Uniform (footwear)** – We appreciate that school shoes can be expensive but would ask that students are still wearing shoes until the end of the exam. Trainers are **not to be worn**. When students are sitting an exam they must be in full school uniform.
- **Any unwanted uniform can be donated to the school office for students who may need this help in the future, and this is very much appreciated.**
- **Standards** – The vast majority of our Y11 students have been working hard in preparation for their exams and we fully expect them to continue doing so. It is worth pointing out to all, that we still expect our high standards of attitude and behaviour in these final days. Any student who does not adhere to our expectations, will not only receive sanctions as normal, but may put their Prom place in jeopardy

as well as their Leavers' Assembly. This includes attendance to school lessons, revision sessions and of course exams themselves between now and Friday.

- **ECDL** – We will be in touch personally with those pupils who still need to either start or complete this qualification. Of those who have sat ECDL we have seen a very high success rate and are very proud of the results pupils have achieved.
- **6<sup>th</sup> Form** – There is a meeting for pupils on the 19<sup>th</sup> June to discuss plans for next year with Mrs Kinder.

Finally, I just want to add my heartfelt thanks to you as parents and carers for helping me give your children the best education possible during my first year here at Gateacre. I sincerely hope that all of their hard work is reflected in their exam results when they are released on 24<sup>th</sup> August and would like to add that I genuinely hope to see your child again in September as part of our new Year 12 cohort, to continue our drive to be an Outstanding school.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mr J Roberts', written in a cursive style.

Mr J Roberts  
Headteacher