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Dear Year 11 (including your Parents and Carers),

## Year 11 Mass for Success, Leavers Assembly, Prom and Study Leave

I wanted to write to you to keep you informed about various dates and plans for key events involving Year 11 as you make their way through the final part of this year and indeed, your time at St Gregory's. I will be incredibly sad to see Year 11 leave, but I want to ensure you get a good send off with maximum support through your exams.

**Year 11 Mass for Success** - This special mass will take place on Friday 2nd May in the morning and will be in the theatre.

Study Leave and Leavers Assembly - I can confirm to you that study leave will commence on <u>Friday 6th June 2024</u>. Year 11 will be sitting GCSE examinations that day with English Language (Paper2) in the morning and then Geography (Paper2) in the afternoon. Not all pupils will be doing the Geography exam so those pupils will be in normal timetabled lessons. When all pupils finish their afternoon Geography examination, they will walk over to the theatre where they will enjoy a special Year 11 leaver's assembly presented by Mrs Burns and Mrs Lee / Mr Smith. We do not normally inform Year 11 of study leave so early, but such is my respect for this year group, I am happy to share this information as soon as possible so that all parties can plan accordingly.

When the leaver's assembly is finished, Year 11 will then have the school courtyard to yourselves as a year group where you have the opportunity to sign shirts and take memento photographs of each other and the staff. It is always a fun occasion with both smiles and tears but you will have the photos and shirts as permanent mementos of your time at school. This event is expected to finish at around 4pm so you will be out of school late that day.

It is vital that Year 11 have outstanding attendance to school between now and the 6th June (this is only 25 more school days) and that you attend all of the extra support that is provided for you, such as booster sessions, revision events and breakfast gatherings. Punctuality and having the right equipment every day of your exams is crucial too.

**The School Prom** - As a reminder, the school prom will take place on Thursday 26th June and I really look forward to seeing Year 11 in your suits and dresses, ready to celebrate the end of your examinations and time at the school together. I also look forward to seeing many parents and carers there too to see them off and take plenty of photos.

That is all for now but I will continue to keep you updated as and when additional information is available.

Yours sincerely,

Mr E McGlinchey

Headteacher

One family... inspired to learn.'



