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Dear Year 11 parent

We hope that things have been going smoothly for your child over the examination period. We have been impressed with the level of focus and preparation that students have been demonstrating both in the revision sessions and the examination venue. We sincerely hope that this translates into successful results for your child in the Summer. GCSE Results day this year is Thursday 23rd August and school will be open from 8.30am.

We have received a number of requests from students and parents to have study leave this year. Regulations surrounding this are stricter than ever but we do recognise that for many of our students there is real value in them being able to conduct independent revision at this time. For this reason we would like to clarify the arrangements for the rest of this half term and also next half term:

- All Year 11 students will be expected to be in school for the full day on Thursday 24th May. Many students will be sitting either GCSE Maths (in the morning) or GCSE Religious Studies (in the afternoon) on that day.
- Only those students who are sitting the 'English Literature' GCSE on the morning of Friday 25th May will be required to come into school. This is a two-hour exam which will start at 9am and be finished at 11am. Students who have not been entered for the GCSE in 'English Literature' will not be required to be in school.
- Once the 'English Literature' exam is finished, Year 11 students will be permitted to leave school and return home for study leave. This will be approximately 11.15am. Please note that there will be no school buses at this time.
- If for whatever reason you wish for your child to remain in school until the end of the day, it is essential that you contact the Main switchboard to inform us of this request. Please ensure that your child is also aware that your expectation is that they remain on site until 3pm.
- For those students who remain on site, supervised quiet study will be provided. Students will be expected to have revision material on them.
- From Monday 4th June, Year 11 students are required to attend school only for scheduled revision sessions with subject teachers or for their exams. Should you have any queries about your child's remaining examination schedule, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs J Jenkins (Examination Officer)
- The Year 11 School Prom – which acts as our official celebration of your child's time at Maesteg School – will be on Thursday 28th June; further details including transport arrangements will follow.

I would like to take this opportunity to once again thank you for all your support over the last five years; we look forward to celebrating with you your child's successes in the Summer.

Yours faithfully

Helen Jones

(Headteacher)

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