

## RANGE HIGH SCHOOL

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## Dear Parent/Carer/Student,

I hope this letter finds you well at this time. I would like to start by saying well done to the vast majority of our young people in your year group for working your way through this challenging time in your education. Your teachers have been working tirelessly to ensure that they have the best possible set of evidence to submit grades that are fair, consistent with your performance and transparent as laid down by the exam boards. For the most part, you have worked hard and continue to do so. I would urge you to keep going as there is still time to demonstrate what you are capable of and continue to enhance your grades where possible.

In a normal academic year, there would be a clear start date to study leave followed by the formal public examination timetable. Of course this is not a typical year. School will continue as normal for all students up to the end of this half term. For the first week after half term (w/b 7<sup>th</sup> June), lessons will continue but not everyone will be expected to attend. This week will be an opportunity for subject teachers to re-visit or catch up with any individuals who need to submit any final assessments or work relating to their grades this year. Individual students will be advised of this by their teachers and will be expected to come in if asked to do so.

From the week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> June, we will be holding Sixth Form taster and bridging activities over a two week period. Some of these will be in school and some will be online sessions. Dr Ainsworth and Mrs Phillips will publish details nearer the time. This will be an opportunity to learn more and to prepare for courses that you will be studying with us here in the Sixth Form at Range High in the new academic year. This will mean that you should be available to come into school, if required until the 25<sup>th</sup> June if you are returning to Sixth Form here. Please contact Mr Cregeen, Head of Y11, if you have any questions in relation to any of this.

Please also note that for any students who are going to other FE colleges, it is my understanding that they all have similar programmes around this time. You should contact them for further details and I would strongly encourage you to take part in any activities they have on offer. Everyone's learning has been disrupted this year and last and any opportunities available to get the new academic year off to a strong start should be grasped with both hands.

Two more important dates to note: GCSE Results Day: this year is on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> August. Again, Dr Ainsworth will be in touch before the end of term with the details of the day. Secondly, our Prom has now been scheduled for the 15<sup>th</sup> July at the Liver Building. I look

forward to seeing as many of our year group as possible in order to celebrate all of their achievements during this last year. Deposits should be paid on ParentPay before next Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> May.

I am proud, as we all are, of our Y11 cohort this year and how they have applied themselves in what can only be described as a difficult and challenging two academic years in their lives. I look forward to welcoming the vast majority of our cohort back to the Sixth Form but I wish all of them every success as they now begin to look forward to the next chapter in their lives.

With very best wishes,

Mr McGarry

Headteacher