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Dear Parents and Carers,

As our Year 11 students approach the end of their time at Cardinal Newman, we reflect on the incredible journey they have undertaken. Throughout their years here, they have grown not only academically but also spiritually, embracing the values of learning, Love and Faith. They have developed into responsible and compassionate citizens, ready to contribute positively to society. We are immensely proud of their achievements and the individuals they have become. We look forward to welcoming many of them back into our Newman Sixth Form next year, where they will continue to thrive and build on the strong foundation they have established.

As we approach the final half term for Year 11 students at Cardinal Newman, we would like to inform you of the important dates and events leading up to their GCSE exams and the end of their academic journey with us. Please find below a summary of key dates and activities. If you have any queries, please feel free to contact your child's Form Tutor.

Important Dates and Events

Date	Event
Wednesday 23rd April	Polish Oral Exams
Thursday 24th April	Polish Oral Exams, Form Group Photos for Yearbook, French Oral Exams
Friday 25th April	Polish Oral Exams
Monday 28th April	Polish Oral Exams, French Oral Exams
Tuesday 29th April	Polish Oral Exams, French Oral Exams
Wednesday 30th April	French Oral Exams
Thursday 1st May	French Oral Exams, Graphics (11D/GR) in R2, 3D Design (11C/DT) in T9
Friday 2nd May	French Oral Exams, Graphics (11D/GR) in R2, 3D Design (11C/DT) in T9
Wednesday 7th May	Fine Art in A1/A3, Graphics (11C/GR) in R2, 3D Design (11A/DT) in T9, Textiles (11C/TXT) in A2
Friday 9th May	Fine Art in A1/A3, Graphics (11C/GR) in R2, 3D Design (11A/DT) in T9, Textiles (11C/TXT) in A2
Thursday 8th May	GCSE Exams Begin
Thursday 15th May	Celebration Mass, Whole Year Group Photo
Monday 2nd June	Study Leave Begins
Friday 13th June	Last GCSE Exam
Wednesday 18th June	Year 11 Clearance Day (12:00 - 14:00)
Thursday 19th June	Year 11 Prom
Tuesday 24th June	Year 11 Newman Sixth Induction Day 1
Wednesday 25th June	Year 11 Newman Sixth Induction Day 2
Thursday 21st August	Year 11 GCSE Results Day

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Additional Information

Year 11 Clearance Day: On Wednesday 18th June (12-2pm) students are required to return all books, locker keys, and settle any outstanding balances e.g. canteen, and we kindly ask you to donate their uniform in order to help other families. Please note that Clearance Day is cashless. Therefore, any outstanding balances must be paid via Parent Mail before 18th June. We cannot accept cash on the day. It is essential that students attend this day to ensure they can receive their results on Results Day.

Celebration Events: We will be holding a Celebration Mass followed by a Year Group Photo on Thursday 15th May. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to come together and celebrate their achievements. Year 11 will also have their 'Leavers assembly' on Friday 23rd May and then leave school by 12.15pm.

Study Leave: Official study leave will commence on Monday 2nd June, allowing students to focus on their final preparations for the remaining exams.

Prom: The Year 11 Prom will be held on Thursday 19th June, a memorable event to celebrate the end of their GCSE journey.

Newman Sixth Induction Days: For students joining our sixth form, induction days will be held on Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th June.

We hope this information helps you and your child prepare for the upcoming weeks. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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Helen Fay Head of School