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Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Update on Yr11 and Expectations/Plans

The Class of 2025, our great students in Yr11, are nearing the end of an era. To celebrate their last 5 years at St Damian's, there will be a Liturgy in school on **Friday 23rd May at 11.45-12.30pm**. This will be a reverent and respectful occasion. All parents are invited to attend to recognise this milestone and thank God for their time with us. Please email school on admin@stdamians.co.uk to say if you will be attending.

After this, parents will leave the school, and the students will have their final assembly to share memories and look back on their time here. This will be a light-hearted and joyous occasion, followed by the children staying in school during dinner time for the traditional 'shirt-signing'. The students will then leave school around 2pm.

After their return to school following the May half term break, students are expected to attend school on a full-time basis in **full** school uniform. **This will be until Friday 13th June**. Thereafter, they will only need to attend exams and revision classes. There will be after school intervention/revision sessions for the exams, and I ask that parents support this. Note that there will also be revision during the May half term for students.

During the examination period, students are expected to show maturity, work hard and follow our simple rules. If any student fails to meet our high standards, including wearing the correct uniform, I will not hesitate to sanction them, including withdrawing their Prom invitation. I **do not** want to do this.

The children who are working hard are making great progress. Remember that there is no substitute for hard work and having a positive attitude over the next few months. This hard work and positivity will be worth it in the end.

As a community, we fully appreciate that the coming weeks are going to be stressful for many but rest assured that both their great teachers and our wonderful support staff will do everything possible to encourage, support and reassure them.

Mrs Forde, their Head of Year said *"I am incredibly proud to have taken over the Year 11s as Head of Year two years ago and can't believe how fast it has flown by. The final few weeks of school are key, and I look forward to seeing their hard work and dedication shine as they embark on their GCSEs. I know they have the ability to achieve very well but they must keep working hard over the next few weeks. If any issues arise, please do not hesitate to contact school and we will work together to resolve any challenges during the exam period. I wish Year 11 the best*

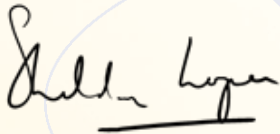
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of luck and look forward to seeing all of the great things they are capable of achieving on results day”.

Finally, on behalf of all the staff who have taught and nurtured your child, we would like to extend our thanks and appreciation to all parents for your overwhelming support. We know that your child has enjoyed their time here, made great friends, has had great experiences and will leave St Damian's with the values that will make them 'stand-out' from the rest. I pray that they will get the GCSE Grades that they deserve, enabling them to have a bright future.

Good luck and be proud that you attended a **great school!**

Yours sincerely



Mr S Logue
Headteacher