



Dear Parent/Carer

I hope everyone is keeping well. We have made a good start to the new term and are now able to confirm with you that the last formal day of Year 11 teaching will be Friday 28th May, 2021.

It is essential that all students continue to attend their lessons up to this date in order that final assessments can be undertaken and Centre Determined Grades completed.

In a small number of cases it may be necessary for certain subjects to request that their students attend school on specific occasions during the two weeks immediately after the half term break until Friday 18th June, 2021. Although this is unlikely to be the case for the majority of Year 11 students, it is nevertheless essential that we are able to ensure that all students have been able to complete all necessary assessments so, that evidence based Centre Determined Grades can be allocated. We will, of course, contact all students who may be needed to attend school during this period. There will be no requirement for any Year 11 students to attend school from 21st June, 2021 for formal teaching or assessment.

We are extremely happy that a large proportion of our current Year 11 will be returning to school to join our Sixth Form in September 2021, and we will communicate any further information with regard to Year 12 Induction with you in due course.

Please remember that GCSE results day this year is on Thursday 12th August, 2021. We hope to be able to distribute results in school between the hours of 8am and 12 noon. However, this is dependent upon any Covid related restrictions which are still necessary at that time. Therefore, we propose to contact you about this event nearer the time.

Students may enroll for our Sixth Form on Thursday 12th August, 2021 from 8am, however enrolment will also take place on Thursday 2nd September, 2021 from 9am.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our Year 11 students the very best in any forthcoming assessments. The resilience demonstrated by so many in such challenging circumstances speaks volumes about the calibre of student we have at Castell Alun. Thank you also for all of the support which you provide for our students in the home. It is indeed a shame that there will be no traditional leaving ceremony or prom for this cohort this year due to the pandemic. However, we are all so very hopeful of better times ahead.

Best wishes,

Mr. C. Ellis,
Headteacher.