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18 June 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

**Arrangements for leavers' events – Thursday, 1 July 2021**

As we approach Thursday, 1 July and your child's leaving event festivities I wanted to contact you with final arrangements for these.

Thursday, 1 July will see us celebrate your child's time with us here at Park Community School through our Leavers' Assembly (11.00am) and then in the evening our Leavers' event (7.00pm). In order to facilitate both of these in the safest possible way I highlight to you the safety measures which will be in place for the events to be Covid secure.

1. From 9.30am on Thursday, 1 July all students attending the Leavers' Assembly and Leavers' Event in the evening will need to take an LFT and provide a negative result. We will carry out these tests on site in the same way we did upon the return to school following lockdown in March. Students will enter school site from the gate on Middle Park Way nearest to the nursery, where they will be kept distanced as they wait for test and test results. Following the negative test result we will supply some refreshments to students as they wait for the assembly to start.
2. Maintaining the 'bubble' that we have for all students since September. The Year 11 and staff 'bubbles' that we have put in to place since September allow us to host the event here in school and cut down on the chances of transmission from external venues and staff.
3. We are using a professional band which adheres to the government's criteria for using performers.
4. We are using multiple venues within school for the evening event, which will enable us to manage capacities and students will have access to outdoor spaces also.
5. We will not be able to have any parents on site for the evening event due to Covid restrictions, so we would ask for you to take family photos etc before arriving to the event. We will have a photographer on the evening and will capture lots of images which we will share with you. We understand that this may be disappointing, but it is something we need to do to be able to run the event the students deserve to celebrate their 5 years with us.

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### **Leavers' Assembly – for all students**

The Leavers Assembly will begin at 11.00am and last approximately an hour. Following the assembly students will have the chance to sign leaving books, shirts and say their goodbyes to staff. They will need to leave site by approximately 1.00pm so that we can ensure that everything is perfect for the evening celebration.

### **Leavers' Event – ticket only (tickets will be checked on entry)**

The evening event runs from 7.00pm – 10.00pm, but students will be able to begin to enter the venue from 6.15pm so they can have photographs etc. before the evening begins with the wonderful festivities that staff and students have planned. Following the end of the event we would ask all of students to be considerate of our neighbours by leaving the site quietly so as not to cause any disturbance. Please note the deadline for purchasing tickets has been extended until the end of Monday, 21 June 2021. This event is a no alcohol event and we reserve the right to refuse entry to anyone who shows signs of being under the influence.

Finally, I would like to say what a pleasure it has been being involved with this year group. From being their Head of Year for the first three years of their time here at Park and then the dedicated member of SLT for the group has been an honour and a privilege. To have worked so closely with them all as they have grown from children in Year 7 to the wonderful young adults they have now become has been a truly joyous, if at times exhausting, experience. I hope you share with them how wonderfully proud I am of each and everyone one of them.

Yours sincerely

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