



# HUMPHREY PERKINS SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your support over the past half-term. As ever, we wish to share some of our updates and successes with you.

## Year 11

We are so proud of Year 11 who are now in the midst of their final examinations. As expected, their behaviour and attitude towards their studies have been exemplary. We have implemented a number of strategies to support them including additional revision/Boost opportunities prior to examinations; morning breakfast and teacher tips in the Restaurant from 8.05 and they have their own dedicated space for lunch/revision. We recognise what a challenging time this is for Year 11 – if you feel that your child needs additional support, please do not hesitate to contact us. A link to BBC Bitesize for parent/carers can be found here <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/secondary>. The official leaving date for Year 11 will be on the 18<sup>th</sup> June, with a final assembly on the 12<sup>th</sup> June and Prom will be on the 26<sup>th</sup> June. A reminder that we offer a Prom outfit hire facility and thank you to those families who continue to donate to this – we have some amazing outfits for our students to borrow!

## Extra-Curricular

As ever, our students have been offered a wealth of extra-curricular opportunities and trips. To name but a few, we have taken students to see "Six" at Curve theatre, have had an excellent lunchtime concert and have had some of our year 9 students involved in the University of Leicester's Social Justice Blue Plaque project. We are really proud of our extra-curricular offer which can be found [here](#).

## You Said, We Did

Thank you to those of you who responded to our survey in January and we are always really pleased to hear your feedback:

- A small number of you raised the national problem of staff recruitment. We are really pleased to report that, for next academic year, we have made some excellent additional appointments, particularly in Maths and Geography which are national shortage areas. We are also in the throes of recruiting for a Cover Supervisor who will become one of our own members of staff and will give us additional cover flexibility when staff are absent/on training.
- A small number raised the cancellation of PE clubs – we have now restructured our offer to ensure that there is a surplus of PE staff available when clubs are being run.
- Some of you raised queues at lunch time. Whilst we pride ourselves on being able to feed over 800 students across two sittings which span 25 minutes, whilst we are in consultation about increasing the





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length of the school day – see the letter [here](#) – we are proposing to increase the time given for Break and Lunch by 5 minutes, which will enable us to demarcate the lunch sittings even more effectively.

We look forward to welcoming you back on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June. Have a wonderful Bank Holiday with your families.

Best wishes,

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