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## BEDFORD HIGH SCHOOL

A Specialist Business and Enterprise College  
with Applied Learning  
Headteacher: Mrs H J Phillips

22<sup>nd</sup> June 2020

### Year 11 – Next Steps!

Dear Year 11 students, parents and guardians,

Your official school leaving date is Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June. What this means is that KS4 studies come to an end on that date.

We know that you have clear plans for your next steps. You know what subjects you would like to study next and which colleges you have applied for. As previously advised, you should look at the bridging resources that the various colleges have published on their websites. I know that some colleges have contacted you directly about what they are offering. You should use this time to get a head start on your future studies.

However, we also know that some of you may be anxious, this is natural given the unusual circumstances we find ourselves in. Rest assured that all of the colleges are trying to provide as much certainty as they can in terms of their enrolment in August 2020. You must engage with them, check their websites regularly to make sure you know what you need to do and if you are concerned about any aspect of your next steps get in touch with them directly.

Wigan & Leigh College will help those of you who have applied for an apprenticeship. It is really important that you reply if the college contacts you to discuss your options. Do not delay in doing this. When they contact you be ready to respond quickly.

We are also here to help you. If you have questions that your chosen colleges cannot help you with, get in touch with Mrs Birchall on [p.birchall@bedford.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:p.birchall@bedford.wigan.sch.uk) or Mrs Ramsden on [r.ramsden@bedford.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:r.ramsden@bedford.wigan.sch.uk)

Exam Boards have indicated that they intend to publish Calculated Grades on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August. We will let you know how these grades will be shared with you when we have further details.

What about the prom? We have booked for the **6<sup>th</sup> November 2020**. We really hope that it will happen on this date. We cannot absolutely confirm it until the government announces that events of this nature can happen. We have all got our fingers crossed. Mrs Cottam will provide final confirmation as soon as she possibly can.

You have been a joy. We are privileged to have been able to care for you for the past 5 years. I want to thank parents and guardians for the support you have given us as a school to help us do our best for your child. I know that your children will make you proud.

For lots of families, the link continues with us as younger brothers and sisters continue their journey at Bedford. For others, it is the end of an era. We will, however, always be here for you. We want you to keep in touch as we love to hear your news, celebrations and successes.

Take care and please stay safe.

Yours sincerely,

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