



Assalamu'alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh

Dear Parent/Carer,

Tuesday April 27<sup>th</sup> 2021

On behalf of all the staff at Bolton Islamic Girls School I would like to start this letter by sharing how proud we are of our Y11 students. Y11's returned to school last month with maturity and a sense of purpose. Despite the difficult circumstances our young people have retained their focus, dedication and most importantly their good spirits and optimism. It has been a joy to have them back!

### **Upcoming GCSE Assessment**

Students are now in the midst of revising key topics with their teachers and some formal assessments have already taken place. As outlined in my previous letter, we have a clear plan for how GCSE grades will be awarded in the summer. We have now mapped out the assessment strategy for each subject and students are aware of how this will take place.

### **Leaving Date**

I apologise for the delay in confirming our Y11's leaving date. The Department of Education only issued schools with guidance on this last weekend. **I can now confirm that we will conclude teaching and assessing the GCSE courses by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June.**

On **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June** we will host a special Leavers' Celebration Assembly. Sadly, this will also be the official school leaving day for year 11 students. I would like to invite students to wear smart non uniform on this morning. Students will get the opportunity to bring in their phones and use our selfie props to take pictures for memories.

Between June 7<sup>th</sup> and June 11<sup>th</sup> there will be a variety of optional events for students. These events will be focused around enabling opportunities for learners to learn key life skills to help them in their next steps in life after School. Some of the themes covered will include basics of sewing, cooking, cleaning a home, financial literacy, self-defence and how to stay safe. A more detailed timetable will be shared with learners nearer the time. All sessions will be optional but highly recommended.

### **Year 11 Day Trip**

As our end of year celebration for year 11 we are in the process of making plans for a day trip for all year 11 learners with teachers. More details will be provided in due course. However, students need to be mindful that this will only go ahead if government guidance allows it. Circumstances may change nearer the time and the trip may have to be cancelled at the last minute.

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Students have a busy half term ahead, please encourage your daughter to continue following all the rules that limit the spread of Covid-19 over this term so that we can do everything we can to minimise disruption during this very important half term.

Thank you for your ongoing support. Warmest wishes

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