

27th February 2024

Dear parents/carers,

I am delighted to be able to write to inform you that our annual Leavers' Prom will be held on the **27th June 2024** at the Ocean Suite at **The Cumberland Hotel** in Bournemouth. We used this venue last year and had a fantastic time, so we are looking forward to another amazing evening once again.

Students can arrive between 6:30pm and 7pm where they will be greeted by staff and a photographer as they enter. The price for prom will be **£25** per student and this includes food, the disco, and a unique themed event. The prom committee have been working hard behind the scenes to plan the event and we are delighted to announce that the theme for this year is Casino Night, and we will be having our own fun casino at the event to help students celebrate. Please purchase your child's Prom ticket through ParentPay, these have gone live and should show in ParentPay accounts now. If you have any questions regarding the Leavers' Prom, then please direct them to Amy.Spencer@leafstudio.co.uk

Last year we successfully ran a new initiative called "9 Lives to Prom", which positively impacted both behaviour and attendance in the final weeks of school. This is where students are, as the name suggests, given nine lives and are unable to attend the Leavers' Prom if they use all of these up. Students can lose lives for the following reasons:

- Incomplete homework for English, Maths and Science (including extra work)
- Failing to attend compulsory intervention for English, Maths and Science
- Any kind of referral – from lessons, exams, breaktimes etc
- Failure to attend a detention (including homework detentions)

Students were informed of the "9 Lives to Prom" in an assembly on Friday. Unfortunately, last year we had two students who lost all their lives and as a result were unable to attend the Leavers' Prom, and we do not want any students this year to be in the same situation. We know that the Leavers' Prom is a hugely significant milestone in the life of students and almost all of them will be looking forward to attending. We understand this is a very stressful time in their lives, but our expectations of behaviour, attendance and progress remain the same as we try to ensure they all reach their full potential in the summer and can successfully move on to the next stage of their careers. We will be producing weekly updates for students so that they can keep track of how many lives they have, and we will contact home if there are concerns that a student may lose all their lives and therefore be at risk of missing out on the Leavers' Prom, in order to put strategies in place to support these students as needed.

For any questions relating to the "9 Lives to Prom", please contact Mrs Watt on George.Watt@leafstudio.co.uk and she will be more than happy to discuss them with you.

Yours sincerely,



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