

JCH/RCL/SME/GHA

Monday 11 December 2023

Dear Parent and Carers,

Event: Year 11 Prom 2024
Date: Tuesday 9 July 2024
Time: 18:00 – 23:00
Cost: £55.00

Year 11 Prom 2024

I am writing to inform you of some very exciting news regarding the Year 11 Prom 2024. The Year 11 Prom will be taking place at **Hylands House, Chelmsford on Tuesday 9 July from 18:00 to 23:00**.

This will conclude Year 11's journey at Plume Academy and celebrate the completion of their summer examinations. Furthermore, we hope it will be a fantastic night that students can embrace, reflect and celebrate their achievements throughout some hugely challenging circumstances over the course of the last five years. The prom ticket will include transport to and from the academy to the venue, a two-course sit down meal with soft drinks throughout the meal, DJ entertainment and a 360° photo booth. Further details will be shared regarding seating arrangements closer to the event.

A **payment of £55.00** will be required for the Prom, by **Thursday 25 April 2024**. This can be made via instalments on ParentPay. Payments via ParentPay will go live from **Monday 8 January 2024**. If you require any support or help with the payments, please contact Mrs Lane (s.lane2@plume.essex.sch.uk) in Finance. Furthermore, if you are in receipt of PPG support then please contact Mrs Frost (j.frost@plume.essex.sch.uk) for guidance. *Lastly, please note that students may wish to arrange their own transport, however, the prom package price remains fixed in order for us to secure the best possible price for everyone.*

Hoodies and Yearbooks

I am also delighted to be writing to you to offer you the opportunity to purchase a Class of 2024 Yearbook & Leavers' Hoody for your child.

We are working with Spectrum, a local company in Maldon who will be kindly supplying' Yearbooks and Hoodies, and are eagerly anticipating what are sure to be wonderful keepsakes to celebrate their time at the academy. The Hoodies will have a large '24' print on the back, containing the names of all students in the Year Group, and will also feature an embroidered logo on the front.

Our Yearbooks will feature messages from staff, portraits, photographs and comments from students which are sure to bring back many happy memories for years to come, and is the perfect way of capturing all of those priceless moments from the school years that have flown by so quickly.

All of the students have the opportunity to purchase a Yearbook, Leavers' Hoody, or indeed both. It is essential that their orders be placed in plenty of time so that they do not miss out. **There will only be one order**; students will **not** be able to place orders after **Monday 15 April 2024**.

To place an order, please visit the following website:

[Plume Academy Leavers Hoodie – Spectrum Merchandising \(spectrum-merchandising.com\)](http://spectrum-merchandising.com)
[Plume Academy Leavers Yearbook – Spectrum Merchandising \(spectrum-merchandising.com\)](http://spectrum-merchandising.com)

You must place an order before **Monday 15 April 2024**. I cannot stress this deadline enough, as we do not want anyone to be disappointed. The academy will not be ordering any spare Yearbooks or Hoodies, so please don't miss out.

All orders of hoodies can be either delivered direct to parents or parents may wish to collect the items direct from the shop. We will advise you when this will be in due course. Spectrum will offer a one-off delivery, which will be when the books are

ready in July, if however, the hoodies are ready earlier then they will contact parents/carers once they are ready. If parents do not want to come and collect, they will have to wait until July for delivery of both. Furthermore, please note that all payments for hoodies and yearbooks will be handled by Spectrum Merchandising Website.

Prom Lives

On Monday 11 December 2023 we will introduce the 'Year 11 Prom Lives Initiative' to students in assembly. The concept of 'prom lives' is to maintain high levels of focus and conduct for the final academic year, maintain and promote a positive learning environment, and most importantly, reward students who consistently meet or exceed the academy's clear and fair expectations. All Year 11 students start out with nine lives and will continue having the opportunity to lose or gain a prom life based on the following specific criteria:

How Prom Lives can be earned?

- 4 weeks full attendance = 1 prom life
- 2 weeks no late marks (TG-P5) = 1 prom life
- 1 Teacher recommendation = 1 prom life
- 1 Outstanding contribution to the academy community = 1 prom life

How Prom Lives can be lost?

- 5 x lates in a week (lessons)
- 5 x lates to the academy in the morning. (Re-set to 0 after life lost)
- 2 x truanting lessons on site
- Truancy off site
- SLT reflections
- Smoking/ vaping/ found with smoking paraphernalia
- Sharing of toilet cubicles
- Relocation
- Failed relocation
- A day in the Reflection Room
- Confiscation/use of mobile phone in lessons
- Suspension - 2 lives per day of suspension
- Any decision from the pastoral team and/or SLT to remove lives

Any student who loses all nine lives by the cut-off date of Friday 24 May 2024 will have their attendance to the prom reviewed. We hope to have as many students at the prom as possible and tutors will be sharing this information on a regular basis.

If you are interested in enrolling your child for the prom, please log on to ParentPay via the academy's website www.plume.essex.sch.uk from Monday 08 January 2024, where you will be able to select the correct payment for your child. Reminder the deadline for Prom payment, is Thursday 25 April 2024.

Lastly, as a reminder, the deadline for ordering hoodies and yearbooks for your child is Sunday 14 April 2024.

I very much look forward to writing to you in the near future with further details. If you have any queries regarding the information shared, please do not hesitate to contact me via email j.chauhan@plume.essex.sch.uk

Yours sincerely,



Mr J. Chauhan
Head of Year 11

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