

15th December 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians

Re. Year 11 Prom - Thursday 27th June 2024

We are extremely proud of our Year 11 students and want to celebrate the contribution they have made to Ruislip High School, and the hard work they have put into their studies over the past five years. I am delighted to inform you that the Year 11 prom will take place on Thursday 27th June 2024, at the beautiful Denham Grove Hotel in Uxbridge. A non-alcoholic welcome drink, buffet, photobooth and DJ will be included in the cost of each ticket, which are now on sale at **£45** which can be paid via ParentPay. Please make any payments by **Thursday 28th March 2024**. No late payments will be accepted.

I am pleased to inform you that each tutor will be awarding a free prom ticket to a student in their group for outstanding effort and attendance. Should your child be chosen you will receive a full refund for the ticket. Families who are in receipt of free school meals will also have their child's prom ticket funded by the school.

Students are welcome to have photographs at school on their way to the venue. The prom will begin at 7pm and finish at 11pm; students will need to arrange transport home promptly at this time. I would like to remind parents/guardians that the school cannot take responsibility for students after this time.

Following the success of previous years of proms, we would appreciate your cooperation in order to ensure a very enjoyable, safe and memorable event. As we are all aware, parties and gatherings of young people of this age can be problematic and spoiled by the actions of a very few and we are determined to ensure that this does not happen at our prom.

It would be naïve to think that young people at this age do not attempt to enhance their enjoyment at nights like this by consuming alcohol. The very small minority may even be tempted to take drugs. I would like to reassure you all that there will be no alcohol available for the Year 11s to purchase while at the prom and we will also refuse entry to any student we suspect of having consumed alcohol or other substances prior to the evening. In addition, if students are found to have brought alcohol into the prom they will be asked to leave immediately. We, and the staff at Denham Grove Hotel, will contact the police if any student is found to be in possession of drugs. If any student is refused entry or asked to leave, we will contact you to collect them from the venue and their place in the Sixth Form may be jeopardised.

In order to ensure everyone understands the conditions by which students can purchase tickets for the prom this Google Form ([click here](#)) must be completed by the student and parent/guardian with a contact number for the evening. If the form is not completed, no ticket will be issued. Please ensure the signed form is completed and payment is made via ParentPay by Friday 26th April 2024.

Finally, I would like to stress the importance of attendance and your child's attitude to school during this crucial stage of Year 11. If students' attendance or behaviour starts to decline as we approach the end of Year 11 this could be a reason to have a ticket rescinded. If this were to happen a full refund would be issued.

If you have any questions, parents/guardians should contact me via the main school office.



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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Luke Sills".

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Head of Year 11