

St. Anthony's Girls' Catholic Academy

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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11 Prom, Monday 27 June Ramside Hall Hotel

After positive feedback from both parents/carers and students, we are delighted to confirm this year we will be holding a Year 11 Prom.

The Prom is a special occasion and a fitting reward for the hard work and rigorous revision that is expected of the students throughout the coming months in the build-up to the summer exams. It will provide students with the opportunity to come together and celebrate, acknowledging their hard work and commemorating their achievements.

The Prom will take place as follows:

Monday 27 June 2022 The Bishop's Suite, Ramside Hall Hotel, Durham

6.30 - 7pm: Arrival 7.30pm: Seated for three-course meal followed by disco 11pm prompt: Event end and carriages Dress Code: Black Tie

Tickets are priced at £35 with a £10 non-refundable deposit. We are asking for payments to be made through Parent Pay accounts <u>https://www.parentpay.com</u> and a £10 non-refundable deposit should be made by Wednesday 6th April 2022. Parents can also choose to pay the amount in full if they wish or in increments over time, however full payment must be received by Monday 16th May 2022.

Today, students in Year 11 have been made aware of the criteria for attendance at the Prom – this is shared below in the section on behaviour expectations. Every student has a fresh start as of now - a clean slate that means all students at this point are welcome to attend Prom.

Behaviour Expectations:

The criteria for students to be able to attend Prom (from now until the end of the final summer exam):

- at least 97% attendance (this will not be affected by Covid isolation or other authorised circumstances).
- a positive conduct score (from the credit/debit total recorded on SIMs).
- no fixed term suspensions or significant behaviour incidences.
- attendance at Intervention sessions.
- an excellent standard of behaviour and attendance during the coming external exams.





Tutors will check weekly that your child is fulfilling the behaviour requirements for attendance at Prom. Senior pastoral staff will be in touch with you where there are issues that may prevent your child from being able to attend to work with you and your child to resolve these.

We have the highest expectations of our students regarding their attitude, behaviour, effort and conduct towards one another and staff. We also have high expectations regarding attendance to school. Therefore, whilst we would hope all of our students are able to attend Prom we would like to be clear that the invitation to Prom requires students meeting our expectations. Please be aware that the final decision of attendance to Prom rests with the Senior Leadership Team.

Expectations on the Evening of the Prom:

This event is a school-led occasion which will be supervised by senior staff from St. Anthony's and where students are representing our school in a public setting. To ensure everyone's safety we reserve the right to deny admittance to any student who we know or suspect of not adhering to our very high expectations of behaviour and conduct. Should we suspect or have reason to believe this is the case, parents/carers will be contacted immediately and asked to collect their child. During the evening, if a student fails to adhere to our behaviour and conduct expectations, we will immediately contact parents/carers and ask them to collect their child from the venue.

Our school is here to support our families and we understand that the cost of this event is coming during a time where the cost of living is rising; we are here to help families in need. If you would like any assistance towards the cost of Prom please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

You can contact Mrs Lanaghan (Deputy Headteacher) in the strictest of confidence: marie.lanaghan@st-anthonys-academy.com

We have already had some greatly appreciated and welcomed offers of help from parents with this event. If there are any other parents who could also provide support it would be gratefully received. Please email <u>enquiries@st.anthonys-academy.com</u>

If you have any questions please contact Mrs Lanaghan.

Yours faithfully,

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