

3 June 2026

Dear Year 11, Parents and Carers

Y11 Prom - Friday 26 June 6.00pm - 10.00pm

We are now over half way through the GCSE exam season! The students are doing a great job and just need to keep the momentum going for the last push. I'd also like to say thank you for the conduct of your children on Leavers' Day. The year group were really respectful, grateful and a pleasure to be around. It was a real joy to be able to reflect with them on their journeys through the school.

All this means that Prom 2026 is fast approaching. Our prom committee has been working hard choosing and booking the food, entertainment and decorations and we cannot wait to see Year 11 dressed up and ready to celebrate their time at The Weald.

The loose theme for the prom is a Parisienne masquerade ball and the decor in the venue will reflect this. Whilst students traditionally opt for a formal, evening wear dress code, there is no expectation that student's outfits match this theme and there is no formal dress code. Fundamentally we want students to feel comfortable and so all are welcome to dress accordingly.

Important Information

Excitingly this year's Prom will be at The Amex Stadium in Brighton. Which is located at: American Express Stadium, Village Way, Brighton, BN1 9BL

The schedule for the evening is:

- 6.00pm Red carpet and drinks on arrival (plus a token for a soft drink from the bar)
- 6.30pm Pictures in the stands
- 7.00pm DJ
- 7.30pm Pizza Buffet
- 9.00pm End of food/Prom Awards
- 10.00pm Departure



Please take note of the following points:

- **Do NOT** park before **5.45pm**. Amex security won't let anyone into the venue before 6.00pm
- Please drop off students in **car park F**
- There is a short walk for students down to the E (East) stands entrance (2-3 mins - with stairs)
- **Cars cannot drive down to the door**, so if you want to take pictures with a car/other mode of transport, please do this at home
- Likewise, parents and family will not be able to come into the Prom venue so take any

- pictures with family at home
- There will be a red carpet and balloon arch at the door of the venue, this will be a good photo opportunity
 - **Bring your ticket**, we cannot guarantee entry without this (collected at signing out day)
 - The Amex security team will conduct a security search of bags and pockets on entry to the venue, which will include metal detecting wands. It would be a huge shame if any students were denied entry to the Prom at this point. Students should not bring any items which would be prohibited at school (vapes, nicotine products, alcohol etc.)
 - Pick up is at 10.00pm - again from **car park F**. Students will walk back up to the car park

Tickets and payment

Tickets for the prom were purchased through ParentPay and the cost of the ticket is £65.00. **If you have missed the payment deadline, please note that it will remain open until 5 June on ParentPay.** If you are unable to meet the cost of a ticket, please do get in touch so that we can discuss options available to you. If you would prefer to pay by cash, you may do so at your local Paypoint retailer using a barcoded letter. Please request this letter from the finance department (tel: 01403 787223 or email finance@theweald.org.uk).


Please note payments are non-refundable as the school makes a financial commitment to the suppliers. However, if your child is unable to attend due to ill health, a medical certificate to cover the date involved from GP/hospital will be required, in order that a claim can be made through the school insurance. Without this evidence we will be unable to make any refund.

Terms & Conditions and signing out

Participation in the Prom has always been subject to a good attitude to learning, attendance and respectful behaviour towards others. Students who commit a serious breach of our standards or who fail to meet expectations routinely may not be allowed to attend the Prom. Please note that we reserve the right to rescind a place on the Prom up to and including Friday 26 June 2026 as students will be on study leave and then in school on signing out day. This decision would only be taken in exceptional circumstances normally for a one off serious event involving a student.

Signing out will take place on **Wednesday 24 June in the School Hall between 9.10am and 10.50am**. This is compulsory and students must complete this process in order to attend the Prom. Students will be issued with their Prom ticket at this signing out event, collecting it from a designated table in the School Hall.

Yours faithfully,



Mr T Brixey
Head of Year 11