

14th October 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

As you will be aware, general guidance on social distancing remains in place, with people being asked to meet friends and family in groups of six or fewer in England. Unfortunately, as cases of COVID-19 have started to rise again, it seems reasonable to assume that such measures will be in place for some considerable time: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-meeting-with-others-safely-social-distancing/coronavirus-covid-19-meeting-with-others-safely-social-distancing>

Guidance for schools remains that schools should 'avoid large gatherings' and consider formally how to reduce contacts, maximise distancing and minimise the potential for contamination as far as is reasonably practicable. With these factors in mind, you will understand that the school is unable to arrange/book extra-curricular events such as Awards Evenings or the Prom, and we would sincerely advise families not to invest in dresses/outfits for such occasions. If the context changes in the summer term, then the school will look to explore whether an event is possible for our leavers. However, any such event would be informal in nature to reduce the financial and other pressures on families and also due to the likely much shorter time to prepare.

Yours sincerely



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