



11th February 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

PASSPORT TO PROM

I am excited to let you know that we have launched the Passport to Prom!

The Prom is taking place on Thursday 3 July 2025, and I know that many students have already started making plans for this wonderful evening.

This formal celebration, which marks the end of Year 11 and GCSE exams, has always been one of the highlights for both staff and students. Tickets are £25 and will be available from the Arbor Shop. If you have any queries about purchasing a Prom ticket please contact the school's finance department: finance@acesmat.uk

At Hinchingbrooke, we believe that all students should be given the opportunity to attend this event. The pandemic has meant that these past 5 years have been even more challenging than usual, and it's great that we have this event to look forward to. Our year group in particular missed the opportunity to celebrate the end of their primary school journey, which is why we would like to include all of them in what, for some students, will be the end of their time at Hinchingbrooke.

To be eligible for the event, students must purchase a ticket, gain a minimum of 50 Recognition Points (between 16 January and 4 July 2025), have 90% + attendance (including attendance at all AM and PM registrations) and be punctual for both school and individual lessons, starting straight after half term. Eligible students will then be able to have their ticket validated for the event. We understand that there are circumstances which can impact attendance and this will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. Similarly, students who have a bespoke learning plan will have a personalised target and this will be given to them in person, either by their Form Tutor or a member of the Pastoral Team.

Recognition Points can be earned for Hard Work, High Standards and Kindness, as well as outstanding homework, attending extra-curricular clubs and interventions, including Night Club and Easter School. **We have reminded all staff to ensure they are awarding these Recognition Points for students who show this positive behaviour.**

At this stage, we would expect the students' primary focus to be on learning and we hope the above will give our Year 11 students an achievable and realistic short-term goal.

We have met with Student Representatives who are already helping to plan the Prom, which is all very exciting! Students with serious or continued behavioural concerns, poor attendance or poor attitude to learning may be unable to attend the Prom. In these instances, if a ticket has already been purchased, they will be notified that their ticket has been invalidated. It should be stressed that this only ever affects a very small number of students and we are hopeful that all students will meet the standards required to attend Prom. If you have any concerns, please contact the Year 11 team as soon as possible.

We know how much students enjoy being recognised for all their hard work and the positive impact this can have on them. What a wonderful way this will be to celebrate the end of their Year 11 studies and their journey at Hinchingsbrooke School!

As ever, please feel free to get in contact if you have any questions

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Kind regards

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