

Year 11 Summer Ball

Dear Parents and Carers

As our Year 11 students continue to prepare diligently for their forthcoming summer exams, we begin to turn our attention to celebrating their time at Durrington High School by hosting the Summer Ball. Following our hugely successful event last year, the Summer Ball is once again being held at the Avisford Park Hilton Hotel, Arundel on Thursday 28th June 2018 from 6:30-10pm. The ball will be hosted in the Grand Hall at the far end of the hotel building, this fantastic venue being a very fitting place to hold a formal celebration for the students and staff.

The tickets for this event are £30 which includes a buffet style meal, DJ, the hire of a photographer and various student and staff awards that will be presented during the evening. Students can now secure their ticket for the ball by paying a deposit of £10 with the outstanding balance due the week beginning 7th May. Payments can be made either by Parentmail (preferred option) or by cheque, made payable to 'Durrington High School'. If paying by cheque, please hand this in to the Finance Office; it must be in a sealed envelope with the student's name and form clearly written on the front. Receipts will be issued for these via Parentmail. If paying by Parentmail, details will be available in the 'Shop' from 26th March, displayed under 'Tickets'. The deadline for all payments will be Friday 11th May. Tickets will be handed to the students following the Leavers Assembly on Thursday 28th June and will only be issued once students have been formally signed off, having sat their exams appropriately, returned all textbooks and school resources including their library books.

On the evening of the event, students should arrive at the venue from 6:30pm. Parents and carers are welcome to be present at the hotel for their arrival and should park in the main hotel car park and walk around to the link way lawn, down towards the Grand Hall area. Please be aware that parking will be limited. The formal start of the Summer Ball is at 7pm and it will finish at 10pm. All students will need to ensure that they have transport from the venue booked appropriately.

Please be aware that the Summer Ball is a voluntary event and any student who has persistent issues such as poor behaviour, persistent failure to meet school expectations, inadequate attendance and /or persistent lateness may not be eligible to attend. The Headteacher reserves the right to refuse entry to any student, based on issues such as these.

The Summer Ball is a highlight of our school calendar every year and by hosting the event at such a wonderful venue it promises to be a truly fitting celebration of our student's hard work and contribution to Durrington High School. We know how much the students are looking forward to the event but I would stress that our expectation of the students behaviour remains as high as ever.

Should you have questions relating to the event, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mr J Fuller
Assistant Headteacher