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Friday 4th September 2026

RE: Start of Year – Year 11 Updates

Dear Year 11 Parents & Carers,

As we are at the beginning of a new school year, I am writing to provide you with a range of information which you may find useful for the year ahead. Our Parent & Carer Handbook has been updated and is always a good starting point for many school matters.

Key Contacts

Urmston Grammar aims to work collaboratively with all Parents and Carers to provide the best support for every student. Knowing whom to contact when issues arise is an important part of this process. Please see below details of some the key contacts for your child's year group:

Mr C Gough – Pastoral Leader (Head of Year 11)	cgough@urmstongrammar.org.uk
Dr Z Zebedee – KS4 Pastoral Manager	zzebedee@urmstongrammar.org.uk
Mr P Roberts – Assistant Head (Pastoral & Safeguarding)	proberts@urmstongrammar.org.uk
Mrs K Bourne - SENDCo	kbourne@urmstongrammar.org.uk

The following are the form tutors for Year 8:

11U	Mr M Bradshaw
11R	Mr P Reid & Mrs K Newton
11M	Mrs Z Unwin & Mrs J Hodson
11S	Mr J Leech
11T	Mr M Bird

A full list of all Senior and Middle Leaders are available on our website HERE. Form tutors and any subject teachers can be contacted through office@urmstongrammar.org.uk and these will be directed to the relevant colleague.

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Key Dates

During Year 11 there are a number of events to make you aware of. Information will be sent out regarding many of these closer to the time. However, you may wish to make a note of the following dates:

Monday 14th September	School Entrance Exam – no students in school
Friday 23rd October	Year 11 mock exams begin (most ending 11th November)
Wednesday 11th November	UGS 6th Form Open Evening (TBC)
Thursday 12th November	INSET Day – no students in school
Wednesday 6th January 2027	Year 11 Parents' Evening
Wednesday 13th January	Year 11 Leavers' Photos
Monday 22nd February	Year 11 mock exams begin (most ending 2nd March)
Wednesday 3rd March	INSET Day – no students in school
Thursday 15th April	GCSE French/German speaking exam window opens
Thursday 6th May	Written GCSE exams begin
Wednesday 23rd June	GCSE exams end
Friday 25th June	Year 11 Prom
Thursday 19th August	GCSE Results Day/UGS 6th Form Enrolment

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Safeguarding and Online Safety

Keeping our young people safe, both in and out of school, is a priority of Urmston Grammar. A range of resources on Online Safety and Student Wellbeing are available on the Parents & Carers tab of the school website. If at any point you have concerns regarding your child's safety or wellbeing, contacting the school directly is always welcome.

Pupil Premium & Free School Meals

A range of support is available for students who qualify for Pupil Premium funding and/or Free School Meals. Further information on what this support consists of is available HERE. If you believe your child may qualify for Free School Meals but isn't currently a recipient, please use the following Application Form which will be submitted to Trafford.

Curriculum and Independent Learning

Curriculum maps for all subjects are available on our school website HERE. These will give you a good overview of the order of topics that students will encounter in each subject. During the course of this year, a range of resources are be developed aimed at helping Parents and Carers to support students to study independently outside of school. These will be shared with you in due course.

I look forward to working with you during the school year. Many thanks for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

C. Gough
Pastoral Leader – Year 11