



March 2026

Dear Student and Parent/Carer

## Year 13 Leavers Ball : Friday 3 July 2026

The Leavers' Ball is an opportunity for our Year 13 students to celebrate their time in Backwell Sixth Form.

The event will be held in the Pravha Lounge at Ashton Gate Stadium, Ashton Road, Bristol BS3 2EJ from 7.00 pm to midnight on Friday 3 July 2026. The full cost of a ticket is £48, which includes exclusive hire of the venue, a non-alcoholic cocktail on arrival, a formal two-course dinner, DJ and disco, photobooth, a bar and security throughout the evening.

The menu is as follows and we can confirm that the venue will cater for any special dietary requirements:

Main Course: Roast chicken, Vichy carrots, wilted spinach, fondant potato and chicken jus OR Penne pasta, tomato & basil sauce and vegan parmesan (pb, gf)

Dessert: Chocolate fudge cake and Chantilly cream (v)

The venue will cater for all special dietary requirements and allergies and the menu will be adapted as required.

The bar will be serving drinks until 11.30 pm. Please be aware that if students are under 18 they will only be served soft drinks and the venue will be checking students' identification on arrival. We would like all guests to be able to enjoy this event, so any student whose behaviour gives cause for concern, for example as a result of excessive alcohol, will be denied access or sent home.

Payment for tickets should be made via [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com), the school's online cashless payment system, **by midday on Friday 1 May 2026. We will be unable to accept any payments after this time.** Should you have any problems accessing this service, please contact the Finance Team on 01275 465941.

Students please also indicate and submit your menu choices and any special dietary requirements **by midday on Friday 1 May 2026** via the Microsoft Forms link emailed to all students.

Tickets will be available to collect from the Sixth Form Office **from Tuesday 16 June 2026**. Students please ensure that you have completed your clearance form before you collect your ticket.

Please use the Pravha Lounge entrance to access the venue. If travelling by car, please approach the car park via Winterstoke Road. The car park is operated by YourParkingSpace, which allows a limit of 30 minutes for dropping off and picking up. Parking charges apply for anyone wishing to park for longer than 30 minutes. Payment can be made by card via the payment units on site, on the YourParkingSpace app or by phone. All guests must vacate the premises promptly at midnight.

Historically, the Year 13 Leavers' Ball has proved to be a highly enjoyable evening for all involved. We really hope all students will be able to attend this evening. We are looking forward to celebrating your time at Backwell Sixth Form and to wish you all the very best for the future.

Yours sincerely

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