

Dear Parent / Carer,

Year 11 – Working Together for Success

As a follow up to our recent Achieve Together Evening, I wanted to reinforce some of the important messages that were communicated during the evening and thank you for your attendance. I am hopeful that you found the evening useful and now have a better idea of the examination requirements for English, Maths and Science and that you will continue to support us in ensuring that your child is working independently at home with revision.

The presentation delivered is available on the school website and if you need any further support with revision techniques, please contact Mrs Jones our Aspirations Co-ordinator or your child's Form Tutor, who will be more than happy to support. If you were unable to attend, revision packs are still available and can be collected from Ms Catterall, Mrs Irons or Mrs Newton and they will need to be signed for. Should you wish, there will still be opportunities to purchase revision guides at a discounted rate, but this will need to be done before Monday 15th November and once again, order forms will need to be collected from the pastoral team.

As communicated, in just under three weeks, the year 11 Mocks start on Monday 29th November. The purpose of these mocks is to enable us to gather further evidence of where your child is at in terms of progress and attainment which will allow us to identify where extra support may be required. Whilst we recognise that the pandemic may impact on their performance, it is important that your child is well prepared and tries their hardest.

Subject Leaders will be working with their staff to ensure all students are prepared in advance of these assessments to support their performance. In addition to this, after school revision is now in place and there is an expectation that your child attends as this will support their learning, preparation and in turn, progress. The timetable below outlines the subject sessions that your child should be attending:

Week 1	Monday		Wednesday		Friday	
3-4 pm	Maths	S40,41,42,29	English	Hb31, Hb4b, F49,57,58	Geography	F33
	Drama	G04			History	HB5b
					Dance	G03
Week 2	Monday		Wednesday		Friday	
	Science	Science corridor	Geography	F39	Geography	F33
3-4 pm	Drama	G04	History	Hb5b	History	HB5b
	Business	S28	Dance	G03	Dance	G04
	Computer Science	F34	Drama	G04		
			Spanish	S18		
			Well -Being	G39		

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All mock examinations will take place in the sports hall unless a specialised space is required and the timetable for a two-week period is attached with this letter. Students will need to read the timetable carefully and ensure that they know their own class codes to know which exam relates to their option pool/subject i.e. what subject they do in option 1, 2 and 3.

It is important that above 96% attendance is maintained for the remainder of the academic year to support progress and that good punctuality is maintained so that there is no lost learning time. During the mocks, Year 11 will have the same break time but they will move to an earlier lunch slot to ensure there is enough time for an exam in the afternoon. If your child arrives too late for an exam, or misses an exam completely, we will expect them to catch up in the last week of term as it is important we are able to evaluate their knowledge, skills and understanding to inform planning moving forwards.

We also shared with you the Prom criteria during the Achieve Together Evening and we sincerely hope that the vast majority of the year group will be able to attend because of their hard work and determination to succeed. If your child fails to meet the school's high standards and expectations, we reserve the right to remove them from attending the Prom, something that we hope will not need to happen. The success criteria and Prom rewards are outlined below:

<u>Criteria</u>	How do I get my £30 off?
Attendance	Students should maintain 96%+ attendance
	from launch date of Monday 8 th to receive
	£5 off ticket price
Punctuality	Students should avoid any more than 5
	from launch date of Monday 8 th to receive
	£5 off ticket price (lates to school and
	lessons)
Targets at P2S2	Students should achieve their target grade
	in at least 5 subjects to receive £5 off ticket
	price
Behaviour	Students average behaviours for learning
	must be 2.0 or less from launch date of
	Monday 8 th to receive £5 off ticket price.
Revision / Extended Curriculum Sessions	Students must attend at least 3 revision
	sessions EVERY week from launch date of
	Monday 8 th to receive £5 off ticket price
Parental Engagement	Parents to attendance Year 11 Parents'
	Evening on Thursday 20 th January to
	receive £5 off ticket price

Following the mocks, Year 11 will receive their results at the Parents' Evening above. We aim to replicate what Results Day will look and feel like, so that students and parents have experience of opening results prior to the real thing. Please be advised that the actual results day for Year 11 will be Thursday 25th August.

We would like to thank you for your continued support and if you have any questions please direct them through the Year 11 pastoral team.

Yours sincerely

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