

Our Ref

January 2019

## **ALL YEAR 11 PARENTS/CARERS**

Dear Parents/Carers

### **INFORMATION/KEY DATES**

We are now in the penultimate term of your child's GCSE course and only have 4 school weeks until their final mock exams. This is a crucial time for your child as the impact it will have on their future life chances is substantial. As a school there are a great many things we are putting in place in order to ensure every single child is able to reach their full potential. However, with your support there is a much greater chance of success. Please find outlined below the key events that are taking place.

### **Mock Exams**

Your child should receive their individual mock timetable with this letter. Please take the time to go through this with them and encourage them to use it for planning their revision. The mock exams will run for two weeks beginning **Monday 25 February to Friday 8 March 2019**.

In the first week the pupils will sit all their written papers. Week 2 will comprise of any practical components they have. It is vital that your child attends on all days during this period as, unlike the last mocks there will not be an opportunity for them to re-sit these due to absence. Also, please note if your child has extra time allocation we will be trying as much as possible for them to complete this on the same day. This may require them to remain after school for up to an hour on some days. We are doing this as to emulate what will happen in the actual examinations in the summer. Pupils will receive their Mock Results on Friday 15 March 2019.

### **Parents' Consultation Evening - Thursday 31 January 2019 - 3.30pm - 6.30pm**

I am aware that as parents of teenage children it is often difficult to know how much or how little support to give or even what is meant by effective revision for each subject. In order to discuss this and any other points we would like to invite you to the Year 11 Consultation Evening on Thursday 31 January 2019. This will be your final opportunity to meet the staff who teach your son/daughter and discuss your child's progress with them. Your attendance is very important and could be very beneficial to their future as it could help them with their final push to achieve the best qualifications possible. Please make every effort to attend the evening.

In order to help us organise the meeting it is the responsibility of your son/daughter to ask members of staff for an appointment time during the course of their daily lessons. I would encourage you to see as many staff as possible, as well as the form tutor. Pupils should record the appointment times on **page 16** of their planner.

In addition to this, our independent Careers Advisor will be available to give advice or answer any questions you may have with regards to applications and next steps. There will also be a representative from the National Citizen Service should you wish to find out about the exciting opportunities on offer to them, or if they have already signed up they are available should you have any queries.

Please complete the reply slip below to advise whether you will be attending the evening. The slip should be returned to your child's form tutor by Friday 25 January 2019 and all appointments made by this date.

**Additional Dates for your Diary** (please note – more information on the events below will follow)

- **Leavers' Assembly** – Monday 24 June 2019 at 11.00am;
- **GCSE Exam Contingency Date** - Wednesday 26 June 2019 - Contingency day for GCSE examinations should sustained national or local disruption arise during the June 2019 examination series;
- **Prom** - Thursday 27 June 2019.

Yours sincerely

*Mrs Bassan*

**Mrs Bassan**  
**Assistant Headteacher**

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**REPLY SLIP**

**Year 11 Parents' Consultation Evening - Thursday 31 January 2019**

Pupil Name: ..... Form: .....

*Please tick relevant box*

- I/We will be attending Parents Evening on Thursday 31 January 2019
- I/We will NOT be attending Parents Evening on Thursday 31 January 2019

\*Please state reason for non-attendance: .....

Parent/Carer signature: .....

**Please return this reply slip to your child's form tutor by Friday 25 January 2019.**