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Dear Parent/Carer

Key information for Year 11

We are pleased to say Year 11 have had a focused start to their final year in school. As it is your child's final year there are some key milestones you should be aware of in the Autumn term. Below are a list of dates for your calendars.

Upcoming dates

- 11th October – Parents Information Evening (PIE) – GCSE and College ready 5:30 – 6:30pm
- 17th October – College Roadshow – 5:30 – 7:00pm
- 13th November – Mocks Start
- 15th January – Year 11 reports issued

Wednesday 11th October – GCSE and College ready 5:30 – 6:30pm

This event is an opportunity to come to school to hear about how best to support your child in the run up to the exams and how best to support your child as they prepare for their next steps either at Sixth form/College or another higher education provider. This event will be held on school site at 5:30 – 6:30pm, please arrive for a prompt start.

Tuesday 17th October – College Roadshow – 5:30 – 7:00pm

This is an opportunity for your child to come and speak to several different colleges about the courses and qualifications they offer. This is a great place for your child to start exploring what they might want to go on and study when they finish year 11. Students and parents are welcome to attend.

Starting Monday 13th November - Year 11 mocks

Your child will have one formal mock period this year and this will last for approximately 3 weeks starting from Monday 13th November. Your child will be examined in all their subject areas as if it were the real GCSE. Over this period it is likely that your child will have 12 or more exams depending on the courses they study.

To support students to revise we have provided the students with external input from *positively you* on 'effective revision strategies' and we are giving time and space to students to revise in form time.



We would encourage your child is doing one to two hours of study per day to prepare for their exams over the next 9 weeks. If you child wants a space to study in school the LRC is open every day from 3:30 – 4:30.

Each subject area will share with students how they can best use their independent time when revising.

We will publish the exams timetable on our website and share with students next week.

Year 11 predicted grades

In January students will receive a new set of predicted grades, these are the grades that will be given to colleges when students apply and when we provide references. Once these grades are given to students they are not able to be changed. How your child does on their Mock exams will determine their predicted grades in January.

In the meantime, if your child is applying for college or sixth form they will use their predicted grades from their Year 10 end of year exams. The key information that your child needs for their applications will be shared with them in form time. More information about how to support your child applying for college with be shared in our parent information evening on Wednesday 11th October.

We look forward to welcoming you back to the school over the coming weeks.

Yours sincerely

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Deputy Headteacher