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Dear Parent/Carer

Qualifications at GCSE and equivalent examination courses are extremely important. Many students who underachieve in key curriculum areas at school have to spend time in college continuing to study and then re-sitting important qualifications to try and improve their grades. This can be essential to ensure students can access the courses of their choice and get the job they dream of when they enter the world of work. Achieving a grade 5 or above at GCSE or a grade 6, 7, 8 or 9 for our students is a high priority for students to increase their career choices.

“Get Exam Ready” is a programme of after school support for all students throughout year 11. This programme of after school revision support is proven to help students achieve success. Hard work and thorough preparation do make a difference.

All students are following the full range of New Specification qualifications across the curriculum. These qualifications demand a great deal of knowledge and high level of understanding. Thorough preparation for the large numbers of examinations students must sit during May and June 2019 is essential. It is vitally important that students prepare well to avoid stress and worry in this key academic year.

To support your child throughout year 11 we have a comprehensive programme of study support. We expect all students to follow the programme of “Get Exam Ready” after school revision and study support. All students are offered free drinks and snacks after the completion of lessons at 3.05 pm. After a 5 minute break all students then complete 50 minutes revision in a key GCSE subject area. The timetable of after school support covers all areas of the curriculum. This ensures all students are supported with over 200 hours of revision as we prepare for examination success. This is our minimum expectation.

In addition to “Get Exam Ready” support we also expect students to revise and prepare for examinations independently at home. This is essential if students are to achieve higher grades. All subject areas offer study support materials for revision at home and we organise timetabled subject support during holiday weeks. Timetabled revision sessions will be sent to you for the October, February, Easter and Whit holidays. Attendance at these key lessons is expected and will determine the level of success your child achieves.

As I stated earlier, **hard work and thorough preparation do make a difference**. In addition to the vital exam revision and study support it is essential that students have a very good attendance at lessons. Students **MUST NOT take holidays away from school** at any point during year 11. It is essential that during Whit week of year 11 all students are preparing for examinations. The time for play is when all examinations are completed, and students can look forward to success in August 2019 when results day arrives.

Yours faithfully,



Mr S Clough
Headteacher

Get Exam Ready 2018-2019

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Sept 10th		English	Maths	Science	Option A	Option A - Art, French, German, PE, Health and Social
Sept 17th		English	Maths	Science	Option C	Option B - History, Geography, Art, Film Studies, Computer Studies
Sept 24th	Option A	English	Maths	Science	Option B	Option C - History, Geography, PE, Music, Art
October 1st	Option C	English	Maths	Science	Option A	
October 8th	Option B	English	Maths	Science	Option C	
October 15th		English	Maths	Science	Option A	
October Half Term						
October 29th	Option B	English	Maths	Science	Option C	
November 5th		English	Maths	Science	Option A	
November 12th		English	Maths	Science	Option B	
November 19th	Option C	English	Maths	Science	CPD day	
November 26th	Option A	English	Maths	Science	Option B	
December 3rd	Option C	English	Maths	Science	Option A	
December 10th	Option B	English	Maths	Science	Option C	
December 17th	Option A	English	Maths	Science	Option B	