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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11 Revision Planning for Mock Examinations

As I am sure you are aware, it has been an exceedingly busy term for all in Year 11 – students and teachers have been working extremely hard, and we are now nearing the time when students must demonstrate the progress that they have made through mock examinations. The results of these will enable us to make predictions about future grades, and ensure that any additional support and challenge, is targeted at the right students for the right subjects.

Mock examinations will take place from **Friday 13 January until Friday 20 January**. Your child has already been issued with a full timetable, and should be clear on the details of this. Please ask them to check with their tutor and/or the Examinations Office if this is not the case.

In order to fully prepare for these assessments, your child should be embarking on a schedule of revision over the Christmas holidays. This should involve an average of around three to four hours of study per day on at least 12 of the days of which they are on holiday.

To support this (as different students have different levels of independence when it comes to planning and studying) we will be running an essential revision workshop with all Year 11 students during **periods one and two on the final day of term on Friday 16 December**. Each student will come away from this workshop with a booklet containing a detailed account of exactly which areas they need to revise for each of their subjects, plus their own personalised revision timetable which they will have begun to put together.

Please would you support your child in their efforts by helping them to complete this revision timetable so that it is manageable for all concerned, and by encouraging them to stick to it throughout the holiday. This will ensure that they will make the maximum progress required to achieve the best grades they are capable of.

After the mock examinations, we will be continuing our programme of assemblies, regular support and subject interventions. We would also like to give you advance notice that we will be requiring all Year 11 students to attend the Academy on Inset day on 27 January. This day will be dedicated to the collection of their mock results, just like real results day, and improving their skills even further. More details on this will follow early in the new term.

If you have further questions or concerns, please contact your child's tutor in the first instance, or direct any revision specific queries to individual subject teachers, or to me.

Yours faithfully

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