

Dear Parents and Carers,

Tuesday 28th March

I wanted to make contact to provide you with an update on how things have been progressing for Year 11 as we approach the Easter break.

The Year 11 Mock exams were really successful and I would like to recognise the mature, conscientious and focussed approach of all students during the formal exam process. Let's hope that they are able to carry this on into the summer where they will be expected to behave in exactly the same manner during their formal GCSE examinations. We will provide an update on their academic progress alongside their Approach to Learning scores in their next report that will be issued shortly after Easter.

Whilst there are no formal examinations now until mid-May, there are a number of coursework deadlines that students are now working towards. These include a number of our Cambridge National qualifications such as Child Development, Enterprise & Marketing, Engineering and Sports Studies. All of these qualifications have coursework that will be submitted on May 15th.

Please see below for a copy of the Easter Intervention timetable.

| Day | Subject |
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| Monday 3 rd April | Year 11 Science (Triple & Combined students) 8.30am-1pm (3 x 90min sessions) |
| Tuesday 4 th April | Year 11 Drama 10-12pm Year 11 Maths 9-2.30pm Year 10 Business 10-2pm |
| Wednesday 5 th April | Year 11 Art 10-2pm Year 11 Music 10-2.30pm Year 10 Imedia 10-2pm |
| Thursday 6 th April | Year 11 Business 10-12pm (on Microsoft teams) Year 11 Imedia 1-3pm (on Microsoft teams) |

| Day | Subject |
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| Tuesday 11 th April | Year 11 Engineering 10-2pm |
| Wednesday 12 th April | Year 11 History 10-12pm Year 10 Engineering 10-2pm |
| Thursday 13 th April | Year 11 History 10-12pm English Drop in sessions 9-3pm |

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As ever, please can we ask for your support in ensuring that your child is able to attend these where possible and a big thank you in advance for all staff who have volunteered to provide these additional sessions for students.

This is also accompanied with an update of the weekly timetable of intervention that is also on offer in school. Up until Easter, these sessions have been optional with the exception of the Triple Science session on a Wednesday afternoon. Please note that some intervention sessions will now be compulsory for certain students in certain subjects after Easter. This will enable students to secure the best possible set of outcomes in their qualifications. Subject leads will speak to identified students if they are expected to attend the additional sessions that are provided. It has been great to see students choosing to attend these sessions and I am sure that we will have your support with ensuring that students attend the additional sessions that are being provided afterschool.

| Day | Lunch | Afterschool | Other |
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| Monday | English Maths French | Maths 7+ | |
| Tuesday | English Maths | Art Maths Business | History P4 Engineering P4 |
| Wednesday | Maths | Triple Science Maths | |
| Thursday | Geography English Maths | History Music Maths Drama | |
| Friday | English Maths | | French P6 PE P4 |

We are pleased to confirm that the additional tutoring sessions will continue to be provided in both English & Maths and that Science 1-1 sessions are now being accessed by a small cohort of students through our partnership with MyTutor.

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind all parents and carers of the numerous revision materials and resources that are available to all students.

GCSEPod – All pupils have access to this revision/homework website, and can be accessed using their school log in details. <https://members.gcsepod.com/login>

Yipiyap On Demand-English and Maths Videos for students to access to supplement their provision with a number of topics with the ability to focus on Grade 1-4 and 5-9 level work.

<https://www.yipiyap.co.uk/on-demand>

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Seneca Learning – Available free of charge for all pupils by visiting <https://app.senecalearning.com/login>.

Maths- Students are encouraged to access the following websites to support them with their learning in maths.

<https://vle.mathswatch.co.uk/vle/> (username always first initial, surname@suthers e.g. jbloggs@suthers and password: suthers2022) Click on 'videos' and select clips from the drop down menu.

<https://corbettmaths.com/5-a-day/gcse/> Website to support students in all aspects of maths curriculum.

Finally, I would like to thank all students for continuing to adhere to our high expectations on a daily basis. A polite reminder to all students that they need to arrive to school on time and must also ensure that they are wearing full school uniform. Whilst they are about to embark on the final leg of their Year 11 journey, now is not the time to let their own personal standards drop. The year group are expected to adhere to all basic expectations whilst we continue to support them with preparing for the next step in their educational journey.

I am pleased to inform you that the date for Prom has now been confirmed for **Wednesday 21st June** and will take place at Kelham House. Planning is well underway for what should be a wonderful event for the year group which will celebrate their time here with us at The Suthers School.

More specific information will be shared with students and an update on the final cost of a ticket for will be provided for all parents/carers. In school, Prom points will be on rewarded to students who demonstrate our TORCH values in and out of lessons and this will lead to a number of Prom related offers and discounts for students!

For now, best wishes for the Easter break and we will look forward to seeing all students when school opens again on Monday 17th April.

Yours faithfully,

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