

Dear Parents and Carers,

Monday 12th December 2022

I wanted to contact you all to provide an update on how Year 11 have been progressing as we approach the Christmas break.

I would like to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of students and staff over this first term. It has been an incredibly busy, but productive period for the year group.

Events such as the Year 11 Information and Achievement evening that took place at the beginning of term along with the more recent visit to the local Careers fair were a great success. The mock examination period demonstrated the commitment and focus of all students and it was great to celebrate their success in the mock results breakfast event that followed.

Additional sessions have been provided in a number of key subjects to support students and a selected cohort are now accessing online tuition in English and Maths through our partnership with MyTutor. This is alongside a comprehensive 1-1 tutoring programme that is in place to support students in school on a daily basis.

In school, the “Winning Leader” programme has now come to end and I would like to thank Gareth Morgan for the support and guidance provided for a number of our students this term.

Unfortunately, the school has been unable to commit to a post-16 offer for September 2023. We are aware that a number of students have been exploring other local colleges and post-16 providers. We will continue to provide post-16 advice and careers guidance as part of our commitment to ensuring that all year 11 students secure their chosen destination. Some post-16 providers have arranged interview appointments during school time; if you could provide a letter of confirmation to Diane Barnes, Attendance Officer, we can allow students to be out of school at the allocated time. If you would like a conversation around external provision Post-16, then please do get in touch.

Please be aware of the following sessions that will take place at the beginning of the Christmas holidays to help prepare students in subjects where there is a formal exam in January 2023. I would like to thank both Mr Smith and Mrs Benhamouda for volunteering once again to provide these additional sessions for our students.

Monday 19th December
10-2pm Engineering (In school)

Tuesday 20th December
10-11.30am Imedia (Online)
12-1.30pm Business studies (Online)

Looking ahead, I am pleased to confirm the Year 11 Character and Academic success evening will take place on **Wednesday 18th January (4-6pm)**.

Parent Booking will be the platform where the booking process will take place but the event itself will take place in school with parents/carers having the opportunity to speak to subject teachers and members of the senior leadership team in person. More information will follow on how to book online.

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A reminder that the next set of Mock Examinations are scheduled for February 2023. Specific information on revision materials and resources will be shared with students and parents/carers during the CAS evening but I would like to take this opportunity to remind all parents/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>

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.

I would also thank all students for continuing to adhere to our high expectations on a daily basis. A polite reminder to all students that they will need to arrive to school on time and must also ensure that they are wearing full school uniform when they return to school in the new year.

Finally, I would like to finish by thanking all parents/carers for your continued support and to wish you and your families all the very best for the festive period.

Yours faithfully,

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