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Dear Parent/Carer,

With Year 11 fully into the start of their GCSE examinations, I would like to take this opportunity to praise them for the resilience and work ethic shown so far. It is more than apparent that there is a lot of additional revision going on at home and the flash cards and resources seen each morning/afternoon in the exam call outs is great to see.

With 3.5 weeks left of exams, it is essential that students maintain their mature and dedicated approach to ensure that they remain consistent until their very last exam. Alongside continuing revision, students must prioritise self-care and maintaining a healthy work/life balance. As always, we are here to support any student should they need it so please do reach out to us.

As of Monday 20th May, any student sitting an afternoon exam that is due to finish before 3pm will be allowed to leave the school site and go home early, once the exam has concluded. If any student needs to remain in school until 3pm or to attend after school revision this is fine and an alternative space will be found for them to remain until they are able to leave.

Attached to this email is the schedule for Year 11 after the half term break. Some key things to note:

- students are only expected in school for an exam or a subject revision briefing.
- if any student wishes to attend school more than this to enable them to revise in a quiet study area this is fine and an appropriate space will be available.
- students will still be expected to attend school on time for their exams and call out will remain from the canteen.

For any morning exam students need to be in the canteen by 8.30 and for an afternoon exam should arrive no later than 12.30pm. If students are arriving to school for the first time at 12.30pm they need to ensure that they sign in at student reception.

Friday 24th May is the unofficial last day for Year 11 students which will be marked with a celebratory assembly. The plan of this day is as follows:

- students attend school as normal by 8.30am and go to their tutor rooms. This is aside from those students doing French who will have their exam at 9am.
- students will be in their normal lesson/French exam during Period 1.

- students will be in the canteen/gymnasium during Period 2 to allow them to sign shirts, take photos and have leavers books signed.
- students will have break as normal
- students will meet at the canteen after break and will go through to the hall from here for the assembly. This is expected to conclude by 12.20 and students will then be expected to leave the school site.
- if any student needs to remain in school until 3pm please let us know so that an alternative arrangement can be made for them.

I would like to wish all of Year 11 the best of luck with their remaining exams. We are all very proud of you.

Yours Faithfully

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