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Dear Parent/Carer

Revision for Year 11 Examinations

I am writing to you with information and advice about how you can support your child whilst they are revising for their upcoming exams.

At Kings we have been working with Year 11 through the assembly and tutor programme on learning how to revise effectively and how students can look after their wellbeing whilst working hard in preparation for their exams. We strive to equip students with the skills they need to tackle their revision confidently and with strategies to look after themselves during this period.

To help you in supporting your son/daughter I would like to draw your attention to specific documents. Firstly, the PowerPoint which was presented to parents at the Information Evening at the end of February 2023 and through assemblies to students can be found here. You will find here some top tips on how to revise, when and where to revise, advice for students on how to look after themselves during this intense period and information about how you can support your child. In addition, you are reminded that the 15 to 1 guide outlines revision to be undertaken in each subject on a weekly basis. You can access this here.

Secondly, you will find attached an outline of the exams and the revision PEP sessions for Year 11. PEP sessions provide a final summary on the key points subject staff have identified as essential for students for the imminent paper. In previous years, students' feedback has identified these as having a positive impact on their attainment. The external exams are shown in blue, the PEP sessions are in green, breakfast café times in red and alternative lunch times in yellow. Any possible clashes are shown in purple. During breakfast café times, subject staff will be available alongside a snack and drink from 8:00am prior to the examination. Any student with an examination clash will be advised individually on their timings for that day. Students are expected to attend school full time up to and including Wednesday 7 June 2023 at 10.45am after the Maths examination.

As we get nearer to the exam period, it is now essential that your child has established a good routine for regular revision. This should include revising most evenings, at weekends and in the school holidays. It is also very important that they get the balance right with planned breaks and time to switch off and relax. Subject revision sessions at both lunchtime and after school continue to take place. Individual student bookings can be viewed on the Parents' Evening School Cloud system.

The confirmed timetable for the Summer Examination Series can be viewed on the website here. Prior to making plans for the Summer break, please be aware the National Contingency Day is Wednesday 28 June 2023. Students should remain available up to and including this date. In addition, the guide to examinations for the 2023 series can also be viewed here. The results will be published for GCSE and Level 2 results on Thursday 24 August 2023. Further details for the results day will be shared in due course.





Students and parents will be emailed their individual timetable with exam times and locations. Students will need to look carefully at their individual schedule as they may have an earlier or later time due to access arrangements and some may have a clash.

We are thrilled so many students have received places for Kings' Sixth next year and we are looking forward to welcoming students on Induction Day in June. Thank you to all students who have returned their reply slip and confirmed their place. If your child has not yet returned their reply slip please could you remind them to return them as soon as possible. For any student who now wishes to make an application to Kings' Sixth please complete the <u>online form</u>.

I would like to wish your son/daughter every success with their revision and with the upcoming exams in May and June. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions about revision or if there is any further support your child needs to help them prepare for their exams.

Yours sincerely

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