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Dear Year 11 Parent/Carer

In approximately 11 school weeks the Summer exam series commences and students will sit their final GCSE examinations. It is imperative that we continue to work together to offer students the best support and guidance possible to ensure they enter the exam period as prepared and confident as possible. In order to do this, we have several key pieces of information that we would like to share with you.

Year 11 Revision & Information evening: Monday 13th February 5.00-6.00pm

We would like to invite a Parent/Carer of each child to attend the above event. At the event we will share specific information about the three core subjects; English, Maths and Science as well as guidance around revision and exam preparation and how this can be supported at home.

Due to limited space in our main school hall, we will need to limit attendance to one adult per household. Please note, that students **are not** required to attend. On the evening you will be given a resource pack to take away with you. We strongly advise attendance at this event.

Year 11 Full Reports

You will soon be in receipt of your child's Year 11 Full Report. These will be available to you from **Thursday** 17th February. Reports are compiled based on a comparison between Aspirational target and their Assessment projection.

Assessment projections are an aggregation of the different assessments taken across a Key Stage. Aspirational targets are generated by an external organization called FFT (Fischer Family Trust) who use a national data set to calculate likely outcomes. In the reports teachers will acknowledge gaps between assessment projections and aspirational targets and will provide targeted feedback to support students in working towards their target grade.

Revision materials

Over the next week, Parents/Carers and students will be able to access revision support and guidance for different subject areas by using the link below. These videos will be prepared by subject specialists and will give information on exam techniques, revision guides/materials and more.

Exam Preparation – The Arthur Terry School

In addition to this please use the following link to find generic revision, exam stress and wellbeing support:

How To Revise Effectively – The Arthur Terry School

We would also advise you to consider purchasing the following book, which offers useful tips and guidance on effective revision:

<u>New How to Revise for GCSE: Study Skills & Planner - from CGP, the Revision Experts (inc new Videos) | CGP</u> <u>Books</u>

Please note, some students have been issued these by school already, so please check with your child if they already have a copy before purchasing.

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Further information and support

You may have already received direct communication from different subject areas about the support/intervention they are offering to Year 11 in advance of the Progress and Summer examinations.

In many subject areas, they will soon be completing teaching of content and will begin revision in lessons, whilst some subject areas may be continuing to deliver new content until much later in the course. We would emphasise how important it is that students attend school and all lessons to access the direct support of their classroom teachers. Any missed days of school are potentially an opportunity missed.

Further to the support in lessons, some subject areas are offering before or after school intervention sessions. Before school sessions will start from 8:00am and after school sessions will finish by 4.05pm however, this may vary depending on specific subject needs. Some of these sessions are 'open door' whilst others are by invite only, subjects that are running invite only sessions are in bold on the timetable below.

Please note, during Progress Exam Series 2 (after half term) the sessions will be suspended to allow students to focus on preparing for these exams.

Before school		Textiles		History	
	Monday 1	Tuesday 1	Wednesday 1	Thursday 1	Friday 1
After school	English	Art Business Comp Science DT	Geography	Maths Art	D&T NEA
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	Monday 2	Tuesday 2	Wednesday 2	Thursday 2	Friday 2
After school	English	Chemistry Separate Sci Art Business Comp Science	Geography	Maths Art	D&T NEA

Please see the days/timings of the intervention sessions:

Pastoral support and Personal Development remain a high priority and we continue to offer support with Careers guidance, well-being, enrichment and much more through our Tutor Time programme, PSHCE lessons as well as wider support from the pastoral teams.

We thank you for your continued support as we move towards the final examination season. Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact us via <u>enquiry@arthurterry.bham.sch.uk</u>

Yours faithfully

The Year 11 Team