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Year 11: Learn and Succeed Evening

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Dear parent/carer,

We are now a mere 25 school weeks from the start of the GCSE examinations! To support your child and to help parents navigate this important year, there are a number of events and communications that I wanted to make you aware of:

17 th October	18 th -27 th October	7 th November	14 th November	20 th -24 th November	December	January	19 th - 29 th February	March	9 th May
Learn and Succeed Evening	Target grades and student self-reflection	Huntington Post 16 Open Evening	Parents Evening	Core mock exam	Report 1	Revision Launch	Mock exam	Mock results and report 2	GCSE exam begin

Learn and Succeed Evening

We would like to invite parents and students to an information evening on Tuesday 17th October. The presentation will run twice at 6pm and 7pm. This is an important evening where we will talk about:

- Mock examinations
- GCSE Examinations
- Target grades and progress
- Revision guidance and expectations
- P6 study club and support
- Information about GCSE English and maths
- Post 16 options

We encourage all parents to attend with their child so as not to miss out on this crucial information. Effective preparation and revision for examinations often looks different to how students and parents might expect it to look, and so attendance will be valuable. In the week following this evening, we will be informing parents and students of their GCSE target grades; this is new information and not something that we have done before. We will explain target grades and the importance of them at this event.

Please book your place at the evening via [Wisepay](#) (Trips and Visits).

Year 11 Parents Evening

Parents Evening takes place on the evening of 14th November and will be in person, in school. These 1:1 conversations are your opportunity to speak to teachers about your child's progress in each subject. We will be in touch in the coming weeks with more information. We encourage all parents to attend; please keep this date free in your diaries.

Year 11 Mock Examinations

In the week commencing 20th November, students will sit their first set of mock examinations in the core subjects. These exams will take place in the exam hall, as they will for the GCSE examinations in the summer. These mock assessments are designed to provide students with a better opportunity to feel fully prepared for the material on which they will be examined at the end of their courses and will help to make the examinations less daunting. We think that rather than creating undue pressure, we will be helping your child to undertake a meaningful examination learning experience and therefore your child will build confidence for when they eventually reach their formal examinations. Assessment also provides teachers with valuable information and data, which will then be used to support your child to make further progress.

The examination timetable is as follows:

Monday 20 th November 9am start	Tuesday 21 st November 1.15pm start	Wednesday 22 nd November 11.20am start	Wednesday 22 nd November 1.15pm start	Thursday 23 rd November 9am start	Thursday 23 rd November 1.15pm start
Biology	Maths Paper 1	English	Chemistry	Maths Paper 2	Physics

Students will be guided in their revision by their core teachers. We ask that parents support this by encouraging students to revise at home or attend after school study sessions (P6). We will talk further about revision at the Learn and Succeed Evening.

There will be another set of mock examinations in February 2024; we will send a communication about this later in the academic year.

P6

P6 (period 6) is a supervised, quiet study space at the end of the school day. Students can use P6 to complete homework, coursework and revision and there are staff on hand to support with work and to advise on revision and study skills. This year we have two P6 sessions that are exclusively for Year 11 students; Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. We strongly encourage students to make use of P6 and ask that parents support by reiterating this message. We will share more information about P6 at the Learn and Succeed Evening.

The Learn and Succeed Evening will be attended by Mr Smith, Ms Hunter (curriculum), Mr Paley (pastoral care), Mr Bruce (examinations and data), Mrs Hadcroft (Head of Year), Mrs Gledhill (SSL), Mr Bruce (Assistant Headteacher in charge of Maths and Mrs Shires (Assistant Headteacher in charge of English).

Thank you for your support, we look forward to seeing you at the Learn and Succeed Evening on 17th October.

Yours sincerely,



Katie Hunter

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