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Dear Parents/Carers

Year 11 - GCSE Revision

Students and staff are continuing to work hard on their GCSE studies. The overwhelming majority of students have shown amazing commitment to their studies in lessons.

To further support students, there are two key initiatives we are launching this week.

Revision Timetables

All students will be given a Revision Timetable Booklet this week. A PDF copy of this is attached with this letter. The aim of the booklet is to help students organise their time and ensure they are preparing for their upcoming PPE Exams in November. This will help students prepare for the pressures of the end of year exams.

The timetable for their first week of revision will be set up in school with their Tutor supporting. The following weeks need to be set up at home. This will be checked each Monday morning. If the revision timetable is not prepared then students will be issued with a break and lunch removal to ensure the timetable is completed. Please support students by encouraging them to set up their revision timetable over the weekend, and ensure they have a space at home to revise in. Revision timetables will now be part of their every day school equipment alongside their handbook, reading book and tools for learning.

Revision can be challenging; please support students by reminding them of the following:

- Effective revision strategies have been shared in the Welcome to Year 11 Evening and in Assembly.
- To talk to their teachers if they want support with acquiring revision materials.
- Effective revision takes time starting the process early is the best way of being successful.
- Focus on revision helps to embed knowledge. Continue to revisit topics and skills that they find difficult.

Home Learning Raffle

To help encourage students to revise at home we will be setting up weekly awards for those who show they are effectively revising at home.

All students will be given a Home Learning Raffle Ticket. They will be encouraged to show their teachers examples of the revision they are doing at home. Each time they do this, their teachers will sign the raffle card.

Once the card has five signatures it can be placed in their tutor's raffle box, and then collect a new card. At the end of each week tutors will pick a name out of their raffle box and give out a prize. The more tickets - the more chances of winning!

If students **BELIEVE** in their ability then they can **ACHIEVE** amazing things. If they engage with the Revision Timetables and Home Learning Raffle they have more chances of being successful.

Yours faithfully

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