

## YEAR 11 PARENT BULLETIN – 20 NOVEMBER 2015

### FUTURE PLAN AFTER YEAR 11

We recommend for students who intend going to college to apply on-line before the 18 December to avoid being waitlisted for their preferred course. Students will be contacted by the college to attend an informal interview before being offered an unconditional place.

We strongly advise students who are predicted **less than** 5 GCSE grade Bs to apply to college as a back-up plan. At this stage students are reserving their options so they can choose their final one on GCSE results day on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> August when they will know their actual grades.

### UNIFORM

We are pleased to see the majority of Year 11s are wearing the correct uniform and look very smart.

There are a small number of students who have taken to wearing incorrect clothing (i.e. round necked jumper, three quarter length trousers and short skirt), jewellery, make-up and footwear which does not meet the school requirement. We would welcome your continued support in reminding your son/daughter that we do require **all** students to be wearing the correct uniform at all times.

For those students wearing the correct uniform we would like to say a big thank you.

### ATTENDANCE

The expected level of attendance is 96+%. Good attendance is important for students to achieve their full potential. The additional benefits are:

- Continuity of learning which makes progress and retention easier
- Improved performance in coursework tasks
- Enhanced performance in examinations
- Continuity of relationships and friendships
- Good references for further education or employment
- Good habits are formed for later life

We appreciate there may be circumstances which may prevent a student from attending school. If you are concerned that your son/daughter's attendance is currently below 96% and may not improve over the next 6 weeks, please do not hesitate to contact his/her tutor or Mrs Blaize – Head of Year 11.

## YEAR 11 PRE-PUBLIC EXAMS

W/C 30/11/15

	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> December
<b>Period 1 &amp; 2 9.00am Start</b>	X Maths 11PGI/ 11SHY/ 11TP/ 11STT  Y Chemistry (tbc) 11JCR/ 11LHD/ 11JHN/ 11RST	Option <b>H</b>  Childcare/ Computing/ Geography/ History/ Humanities/ Law/ Music/ PE/ Spanish	Option <b>E</b>  Drama/ Food/ French/ Graphics/ Geography/ IT/ History/ Hospitality/ Law/ Product Design/ PE/ Spanish/	Option <b>G</b>  Business/ Computing/ Food/ Geography/ History/ IT/ Media/ Product Design/ Spanish	
<b>Period 3 &amp; 4 11.00am Start</b>	Y Maths 11JCR/ 11LHD/ 11JHN/ 11RST	X Chemistry (tbc) 11PGI/ 11SHY/ 11TP/ 11STT	Option <b>F</b>  Business/ Drama/ Geography/ History/ Humanities/ IT/ Leisure & Tourism/ PE/ RE/ Spanish/ Textiles  (Y11 First in Dinner Queue)	Science/ Physics <b>Sports Hall/ Gym</b> (Early Lunch)	
<b>Period 5 &amp; 6 1.30pm Start</b>	Biology Main Hall		<b>1:15pm Start</b>  Maths <b>Sports Hall/Gym</b>	<b>1:15pm Start</b>  English <b>Sports Hall/ Gym</b>	

### DRAMA ESSAY DEADLINE

Drama Live Theatre Review Essay needs to be handed in to Mrs Atherton by 30th November

### P.E. REVISION WORKSHOP

There will be a GCSE PE revision workshop on Monday 30th November for last minute preparation for the Pre-Public exam at 3.20pm in C15.

Also, if there are any questions regarding content that crop up during revision, students are encouraged to email their teacher or Mrs Wittich for clarification or come along to the PE office where any member of the department will advise them.

All class Power-points, booklets, revision cards and past paper questions are available on the PE section of the VLE. In addition to this, students have been given their folders, a purple revision guide and purple revision workbook to support their revision.

### COMPUTING CATCH-UP IS COMPULSORY

Computing catch up should now be thought of as compulsory. Students need to finish both controlled assessments before Christmas. Mrs Sawbridge in E12 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday after school and Mr Ahern in E13 on Wednesday after school.

11E ICT also need to come after school to work on their controlled assessments.

## **TEXTILES**

Year 11 Textiles Classes on Monday and Thursday after school to 4.30pm - for catch up and extra work. Not many students are coming attending.

## **HUMANITIES**

There will be GCSE Humanities Pre-Public Examination Revision Session after-school on Thursday 26th November 2015 at 15:30 in B11.