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Dear Parents, Carers and Students

I am writing to inform you of arrangements for Year 11 students for the forthcoming public examinations period. The exam season will run through until Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June, when the final papers have been sat. In order to give students the very best possible chance of success, a series of after school revision sessions have been running and will do until further notice. We have arranged the sessions so that students can attend more than one session each evening, according to need. Please see the attached information for details.

### **Study Leave and Year 11 Arrangements until the 8<sup>th</sup> June**

Our aim is to ensure that each student is thoroughly prepared for the challenge of the exams. Therefore, all students will follow their usual timetable until 12.30pm on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June. This will give students the maximum possible time in school and access to their subject teachers and the relevant support services. This is especially the case with tuition in English, maths and science which have many different papers, stretching through to the end of the season.

Some subjects will have their final exam before 8<sup>th</sup> June. When the final exam for a subject has been completed, students should bring revision materials to study independently as they will be supervised in school. Students will be able to choose the subjects they revise. The school will be able to provide revision material for English, maths and science to use if students do not bring revision materials with them. There is an expectation on all students to be prepared and use the time sensibly. Our expectations and standards and uniform during this period will remain as high as ever.

### **Arrangements from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June**

Timetabled lessons will continue for subjects until the final exam has been completed in each subject. Students should attend these timetabled lessons. However, students are not required to be in school at any other times, unless they have an exam. During this time, students will have the option of either studying at home or studying at school using the library. A schedule of lessons that will be taught each day during this period can be found with this letter.

### **Arrangements for Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June**

The final exam of 2018 (German Writing) takes place on the morning of Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June. Students taking this exam do NOT need to attend in school uniform and can wear their own clothes (see below).

## End of Year Celebrations

We shall say farewell to all Year 11 students on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June during period 2, from 10.20am. Students not taking the final German exam should arrive at school at 10:15am, and go straight to the Assembly Hall. Students do NOT need to wear uniform and should instead wear their own clothes. However, students who wish to have friends sign a school shirt can bring one with them. After a short assembly, there will be opportunity to have photographs taken and say farewell to form tutors and friends. Subject teachers will join students if they are free during period 2 or will come to the dining room at break. Refreshments will be provided. Year 11 students will then leave school after break.

These arrangements are being made to ensure that our students get the maximum time possible with subject teachers and are as well prepared as possible for their exams. However, students must be doing additional revision and preparation in their own time outside school hours on top of the work they will do in school. Finally, I would like to send all our students my best wishes for the exams. I do not underestimate the challenges you face and assure you that every member of staff will help you and support you to achieve the results you deserve.

Yours sincerely



Mr R Baker

Headteacher