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Dear Parent / Carer

On Tuesday your son/daughter will be part of a mock exam results day where they will receive all of their mock exam results in an envelope as they will on GCSE results day in August. This will allow them to experience the results day feeling of seeing their results and then identifying if they would be happy with the results if this is what they were to achieve.

Staff will be on hand to support any students who find this difficult. We would ask that, as parents, you speak to them about their results and which results and how they can improve these ready for the summer exams.

On Thursday you have been invited to attend the Y11 parents evening. The appointments with subject staff will allow you to discuss the mock exam results in more detail and what your child has done well and where they need to improve. Staff will be able to offer support and strategies which your child will be able to access. If your son/daughter hasn't yet made any appointments for you there is still time over the next few days.

Support which is available to support your child in a range of subjects includes:

- Morning booster sessions during registration for identified students
- After school intervention sessions for identified students in each subject
- Holiday booster sessions individual invites will be sent as we get closer to each holiday
- Access to online learning platforms
- Access to revision guides and workbooks your child should have these already. If not, please ask them to see Miss Carton to collect them
- Access to online learning platforms including SENECA, Educake and Complete Maths. Your son/daughter has the log in details for these but please contact us if you need any additional information on these packages.

A number of subjects are now completing final pieces of coursework, preparing for speaking exams and preparing for the ten-hour art exam. It is essential that your son/daughter maintains excellent attendance throughout this time to ensure these assessments are completed and that they are able to access support and guidance. The speaking exams and art exam will take place in April prior to the main exam period.

The next set of mock exams will be taking place after the February half term. You will have received the timetable for these exams by email. Please support your child by encouraging them to revise for these exams. You can support by helping them to plan a revision timetable, finding them a quiet place to study and by asking them about the subjects they have been revising. During the mock exam period there will be no after school intervention sessions to enable students to focus on the exams and complete their own revision.

Students are now collecting their prom points to enable to them to be invited to attend the prom. Good attendance, punctuality, behaviour and attendance as booster sessions are all ways in which they can improve their prom points.

Thank you for all you are doing to support your son/daughter during this year. If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher