



Dear Parents/carers,

**Re: Year 11 Study Skills Evening and Mock Examination Preparation Evening- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December 4-6pm**

As you are aware, students in Year 11 have their mock exams before the Christmas Holiday in the week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> December, and are now working towards their final GCSE and vocational exams that will be held in all subjects in May and June of next year. I am sure that your child has been discussing with you their approaching mock exams went and many of them will be nervous about preparing for them.

In preparation for this, we are happy to let you know that the Academy will be hosting a Year 11 Study Skills Evening for students and parents/carers, on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December between 4 and 6pm**. This evening is an opportunity for parents/carers and students to come to the Academy and discuss mock exams, revision strategies, textbooks, revision classes and post-16/careers opportunities. The evening will provide parents/carers and students with a greater understanding of how to prepare for their examinations and what support we can offer. Additionally, students will be given a revision bag, including free revision guides and materials that will massively help them with their exam preparation.

The event will be held in the CBB building where various rooms will be set up for different activities:

- Short presentations about the importance of Year 11 and how best to prepare for the coming examinations.
- Revision 'stalls' for all subjects giving revision advice, holding small one-to-one conversations with parents/carers and students about how to revise for their subject and giving out revision materials.
- Careers advice from local Colleges and Universities as well as careers and employment providers.
- Mini-teaches of revision strategies in general or specific to key subject areas
- Wellbeing and exam stress advice from our wellbeing staff and Academy Counsellor
- A refreshment room will be available for parents/carers to chat to members of staff, including Mrs Devey (Head of Year 11) and Mrs Iddles (Assistant Head of Year 11)

Students will be expected to bring a parent/carer with them on the evening and will arrive, through the West End Car Park to the CBB where they will sign in and achieve their first stamp for attendance and be given a stamp card. This will be required to gain 'stamps' from revision sessions and stalls around the CBB. When the stamp card has been completed, students will then be able to return to the Drama Studio, where they can collect their free revision bag, with loads of revision materials, guides and goodies in. Unless students/parents visit the revision and preparation sessions, they will not be able to collect their bags.

We think that this will be a very important part in our attempts to help your children to achieve the best possible examination outcomes and, even if you are unable to attend, it is integral that your child attends. As a result, we have made this evening earlier so that it follows your child's Period 6 studies if taken on that evening. I hope that you will be able to attend and take advantage of the opportunity to support your child in their learning.

If you have any questions about the evening, please do not hesitate to contact myself or Mrs Devey at the Academy.

Kind Regards,



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