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Dear families,

This year really is the year of our Class of 2024! It is the time, as you are aware, when our students will sit their final GCSE examinations, the most challenging time, so far, of their educational journeys. Effective revision is a key factor in successful outcomes and with this in mind, we are delighted to launch our revision offer. There are several aspects to this and it will evolve as we move closer to our first exam date of 10.05.24.

Before School

From Monday 15.01.24, students can arrive at school from 7.30am and study, independently or in their friendship groups, in our Dining Hall. Revision guides and resources will be available or students can bring their own. We are providing free breakfast, served from 8.00am-8.15am and Morning Meeting will begin, as usual, at 8.30am prompt.

After School

Our after school offer also begins on Monday, 15.01.24. Some sessions are for the entire year group (or all of the students studying that particular subject) and others (marked with an asterisk) are focused on individual groups of students. Students will be informed if they are required to attend a specific focus session.

We also have an exciting rewards scheme linked to after school revision classes: 'Conquering the Summit'. Students will have a reward card to record the sessions they have attended. Once students have attended three sessions in a week, they will gain a step towards their prom ticket. If they complete all of their steps, all the way up to the final exams, they will receive their prom ticket as their reward! We will begin counting our steps on Monday (15.01.24)!

	Monday (3.30-4.15pm)	Tuesday (3.30-4.15pm)	Wednesday (3.30-4.15pm)	Thursday (4.00-4.45pm) – online (Via Teams)	Friday (2.35-3.15pm)
Week A (starting 15.01.24)	Art (3.30- 4.30pm)* History DT Food Tech PE*	English Dance* History*	Maths	Languages*	Science Geography*
Week B (starting 22.01.24)	Art (3.30- 4.30pm)* History DT Food Tech PE*	Languages English* Dance* History*	Maths	Languages*	Geography Science*
Mornings (from 7.30am)	Independent/small group study (Dining Hall)	Independent/small group study (Dining Hall) MFL Speaking Clinic (8-8.25am)	Independent/small group study (Dining Hall) MFL Speaking Clinic (8-8.25am)	Independent/small group study (Dining Hall)	Independent/small group study (Dining Hall) MFL Speaking Clinic (8-8.25am)

Saturdays and holidays

Our Saturday sessions will begin on 20.01.24.

Schedule for this half term:

20.01.24: English with Ms Zeqaj - 10am-1pm

27.01.24: Science with Ms O'Hare and the science team - 10am-1pm

03.02.24: Maths with Mr Blade and Miss Verweij / Mr Jones - 9am-12pm

The schedule for February half term and Easter holidays will be communicated nearer to those dates.

Important Dates

18.01.24: Year 11 Parents' Evening

21.02.24: GCSE Preparation Evening

04.03.24: Mock exams begin

It is the expectation that students will attend revision classes. If you foresee any issues/barriers to this, please do let us know and we will endeavour to support as much as we can. We will closely monitor attendance to the sessions and contact you with any concerns.

As always we really do appreciate your support as we work together to support our students to successfully climb their mountain towards university or a real alternative.

Yours faithfully,

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