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Dear Families

I would like to start by congratulating our Year 11 students on how well they have started this term. Most students are engaged in their lessons, behaving well, and working hard in class. However, a small minority are not working as hard as they can be on specific revision and homework tasks. All students are expected to complete all revision and homework tasks set by their teachers. Everyone must also be doing their own independent revision for each subject. All homework/revision tasks should be recorded in their planners.

We have taught our students to revise for their examinations through our "Ready to Revise Programme". Should they need to remind themselves of the various strategies, the lessons can be downloaded from the student revision section of our school website [here](#). We have given students copies of our bitesize "Effective Study Habits" guide, which will be useful for both parents and students and can be found [here](#). Students have a GCSE, subject-by-subject, examination information booklet with links to exams boards and study tips from each department, which can be accessed [here](#). Our senior leadership team have presented multiple assemblies to our students about GCSE examination expectations and revision preparation. The link to the examinations page on the website with key documentation can be found [here](#).

Please continue to support us by checking the student planner daily and helping with organisation by discussing their homework and their revision deadlines. Please, where possible, ensure they have a quiet space to work. Please encourage your child to commit specific time to homework/revision and ensure that they are removed from distractions. An outline of these strategies can be found in the Year 11 Parent Information Evening presentation delivered earlier in the year [here](#). Students can access GCSE Pod by using this [here](#) using their username and password. If your child has forgotten their password, please e-mail us school@str.bwcet.com to request a change. Every student should be using this application weekly to support their revision.

From Monday 9th May, all Year 11 students will have morning registration together in the Dining Hall. This is to support them throughout the examination period. Tutors and SLT will lead prayer and give out specific information about examinations. Staff will be on hand to support with revision strategies and wellbeing. There will be various prizes and rewards given out via our Gold Standard work reward system. Please continue to support us by ensuring students arrive to school on time, fully equipped and dressed in the correct uniform.

May I take this opportunity to wish your son/daughter, the very best of luck with their continued examination preparation and every success for their future. I would like to thank all families for their ongoing support throughout this time.

Yours faithfully

Mr S Clark
Assistant Head Teacher

