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Dear Parent/Carers

I would like to start by congratulating our Year 11 students on how well they have been working this term. The vast majority of students are engaged in their lessons, behaving well, and working hard in class. However, it is clear that 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. Students must also be doing their own independent revision for each subject.

Students have been taught how to revise for their examinations through our **"Ready to Revise Programme"**. Should students need to remind themselves of the various strategies, the lessons can be downloaded from the student revision section of our school website [here](#). Students have been given copies of our bitesize **"Effective Study Habits" guide**. This will be useful for both parents and students and can be found in the pupil planner on page 26 and 27 and online [here](#). The students have a **GCSE, subject-by-subject, examination information booklet** with links to exams boards and study tips from each department. This can be accessed [here](#). Students have had multiple assemblies from Senior Staff about GCSE examination expectations and revision preparation.

I have collated all Year 11 Knowledge Organisers except for Maths as they use a different resource. Students will have separate subject Knowledge Organisers already in their books and files. This resource should be used to help support revision homework. The link for students to access the collated Knowledge Organisers will be emailed to students. **Please do not print this document as it is very large.**

All students have access to **GCSE Pod** by clicking this link [here](#). All Year 11 students have a username and password for this platform. Should any student require their username or password please email us at school@str.bwcet.com. Every student should be using this application weekly to support their revision.

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 students 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](#).

From Monday 8th May all Year 11 students will have morning registration together in the Dining Hall. This is to support students 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.



Further communication about GCSE examinations will be sent in due course by Mrs Salmon.

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

