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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. I am writing to inform you that the Year 11 Assessment 1 window will begin week commencing **2.10.23**. The GCSE Practice Examinations will commence from **27.11.23**.

To help prepare students for these important assessments and the rest of their GCSE course, all students have been emailed a link to a revision folder containing the following information.

- **A revision checklist** which outlines what content should be revised, for Assessment 1 *and* their Practice Examinations. Students will also receive a paper copy of this in school.
- A folder containing **Knowledge Organisers** for each subject. I have included these for Year 10 & 11 work.
- A folder containing **Subject by Subject GCSE Information**. This includes information about the format of the examination and links to exams boards to access past papers and materials.
- Students have been taught how to revise for their examinations through our **"Ready to Revise Programme"** in Year 10. This programme will continue in the lead up to the Practice Examinations. Should students need to remind themselves of the various revision strategies, the lessons can be downloaded and viewed in their revision folder.
- 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 and in their revision folder.
- **A GCSE Pod Help Sheet** should they need to re-set passwords.
- **Parents can access all this information [HERE](#)**

GCSE Pod:

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.

Out of School Preparation:

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

Mr S Clark

Assistant Head Teacher

