



Our ref: TEG/mhn/off/Year11/Preexamsupport

7th May 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Year 11 Pre-Exam Support Plan

The exam season is now underway, and we are excited to support our Year 11 students in achieving their potential. There is an excellent attitude throughout the Year group, and we are keen to provide them with as many opportunities as possible to review content, practise key skills and receive crucial exam-related advice in their subjects. As a consequence, we have designed a robust series of intervention sessions that have run before and after school throughout 2026, running a focussed programme of revision through tutor times as well as providing targeted additional sessions during what used to be Active lessons.

Feedback from students has been positive, and we are delighted that they have engaged well with this additional support – we hope that it will help give them extra confidence and security come exam day.

As we enter the exam period proper, we are aiming to increase the volume of targeted support to ensure that all students are best prepared for upcoming exams. In addition to offering before and after school sessions (on the day of and evening before an exam, respectively), wherever possible we will adjust the timetable to enable students to receive a lesson of instruction in subjects whose exams they will be taking that day (or the following morning). In practice – this means that if a student has a Business exam on Monday afternoon *and does not normally have a Business lesson that day*, we will endeavour to provide an extra preparation session for them on the day of the exam.

As a result, **we have an additional 61 sessions of targeted support planned between now and half term.** The precise details of the support will be displayed in the Upper Street of the school for students to check each week. This is of course in addition to the advice and guidance that students will receive in their scheduled lessons.

Heads of Department have also recorded **online pre-exam briefings**, available via SatchelOne, offering key guidance on exam approach, technique, and time – we encourage students to watch these in advance of the relevant exam.

It is our firm belief, supported by Department for Education guidance - that our revision programme, delivered by our excellent staff, provides the best preparation for our students. Nevertheless, we understand that, as students finish examinations in subjects and their focus narrows, they may benefit from a greater degree of flexibility and so following students' last day on Thursday 4th June (concluding after the morning's History exam), normal lessons will finish and students will go on study leave. **Please note that early study leave will not be deemed an authorised absence outside of exceptional circumstances.**



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From Friday 5th June a **Year 11 Study Hub** will be open and available during the Study Leave period from 8am until 3pm daily based in the Sixth Form Silent Study area to support students who wish to continue to attend school to revise and prepare for remaining examinations. In this instance students should attend in full school uniform and sign in and out at student reception.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support. We understand that the exam period is a challenging one for families as well as our students, and we know how valuable it is for our learners to have those gentle reminders surrounding structure, wellbeing and revision that you provide them with. With robust support and attention at home and school, the young people in our Year 11 community are brilliantly placed to take this final step and show what they are capable of.

Yours sincerely

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