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Dear Parents/Carers of Year 10 Students,

As we approach the Year 10 examinations, which are scheduled from Monday 22nd April to Tuesday 30th April 2024, we would like to share some important information to facilitate a smooth and successful preparation period for both students and parents.

Students have now been issued with a personalised timetable for their exams, this was given to them during registration this week. Last week, the students attended an assembly focused on effective revision strategies and exam preparation. Additionally, they have been reminded of the dedicated Microsoft Team called 'Year 10 Exams and Progress.' This serves as a comprehensive resource hub, providing students with essential tools for their revision journey.

Within the Team, you will find the exam timetable, revision resources, and detailed information about the upcoming exams. We have included examples of revision timetables, materials for recall and testing, generic mind maps, and presentations on effective revision techniques. Moreover, individual subject revision folders have been created, featuring topic lists and subject specific resources provided by our dedicated departments.

The exams will be held in the Sports Hall and will follow a formal structure to simulate the conditions of the exams in Year 11. In the coming days, we will communicate with the students about the exam procedures, required materials, and expectations regarding conduct throughout the exam period.

We strongly recommend that parents actively participate in the revision process. Please encourage your child to utilise the resources available on the Teams site and review the PowerPoint presentation outlining effective revision methods. It would be of considerable benefit if parents were able to support revision by testing them after their revision too, this is a crucial part of the learning process.

Some recognised principles of good revision are:

- Active revision is best. Mind maps and flash cards are both examples of this.
- Mobile phones and other devices should be switched off and out of the way.
- Complete revision in blocks of 20-30 minutes.
- The test understanding using questions, either verbal or written (e.g. exam questions).

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- Change subject after the 20–30-minute block and follow the same routine.
- The key is to follow the model of: Revise - Test - Rest

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to get in touch. We are here to support both you and your child during this important time.

Thank you for your support.

Warm regards,

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