



ST. AIDAN'S

CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL

29 April 2024

Dear Year 10 Parents and Carers

The year 10 students have coped very well with the rigours of their mock examinations over the past couple of weeks. We have been impressed by their mature attitude and conscientious approach and this bodes well for the challenges of year 11. There are a few things to work on and we would very much appreciate your support to remind your child about being on time, not taking mobile phones into the exam hall and being independent and well planned with equipment. For most students, these were also done very well.

Once the mock examination papers have been marked, students will be given a proforma for their planners, into which they will write their exam percentage results as they become available. In class, students will be discussing results and completing improvement work in each of their subjects.

Later this term (19th June) year 10 reports will be sent home; these will also have the exam percentages and a projected GCSE grade for every subject, together with CODE grades. The projected grade will show what each teacher thinks your child will achieve in their subject based on the mock exam and other important considerations such as attitude to work, effort in class and homework. This data will help us to identify underachievement and other issues as well as provide a basis to plan intervention.

It is also important to mention that although the year 10 exams have been completed, we still have a significant number of teaching weeks before the start of the summer holiday. Year 10 students must continue to focus on making progress in their GCSE courses right until the end of term. Our present year 11 students will testify that year 11 goes by very quickly and as they embark on their final exams, we know that a number of them would look back with a little regret that they did not apply themselves a little more at the end of year 10. Please impress on your child the importance of attendance, punctuality to lessons and engagement, all crucial elements for effective learning.

If you have any questions about the exams or plans for the remainder of the year, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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