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Dear Parent or Carer,

Re: Year 11 Examinations

Firstly, thank you for all your support so far with the GCSE examinations. The half-term break marks the midway point in the GCSE examination schedule, allowing students the opportunity to unwind a little before they prepare themselves for the second cycle. We have been very pleased with the way Year 11 students have conducted themselves during the exam period. They have been a credit to themselves. We are certain that all their hard work will pay off, enabling them to move on successfully to the next stage of their education.

As you know, there will be a change in routine for Year 11 students. After the half-term break, from **Monday 3rd June**, students only need to attend school for examinations. There will be no more timetabled lessons. On the days that they have no examinations, students should continue their revision at home.

However, there will continue to be a programme of warm-up sessions before each exam. Therefore, students should arrive in school no later than **8:30am** for morning exams, and no later than **12:40pm** for afternoon exams. Once an exam has finished, students should leave the site. There will also be a programme of voluntary drop-in sessions for those students who want extra support in the final two to three weeks of exams. The timing of the drop-in sessions is designed to fit in with the GCSE exam schedule. Please find the warm-up and drop-in timetable attached.

It should be noted that students must continue to wear full school uniform when coming in for exams. We will also continue to have the same high expectations of student behaviour when Year 11 attend school.

Thank you for your continued support and if you have any queries at all, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Henzell, the Head of Year 11, in the first instance.

Yours faithfully,

Dr Stanton
Assistant Headteacher

