



Birchwood High School

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Dear Parent/Carer

As we fast approach the beginning of the GCSE exam period, I want to share how incredibly impressed I have been with the hardworking and positive attitude displayed by the Year 11 students lately. There has continued to be high attendance rates for after-school revision sessions and I have also received some excellent feedback about the large number of students that have recently undertaken practical moderations in MFL, PE, Music and Drama.

As outlined previously, from **Monday 16 May**, students' regular timetabled lessons will no longer continue and they will be required to attend school for exams only. During this period of study leave, each subject have carefully considered how to best support the students. Please find attached the resulting document detailing the support on offer from each subject. You will notice it is a comprehensive and varied offer that includes a range of different styles of revision including; in school drop in clinics, live and prerecorded Teams lessons and pre-exam breakfast sessions.

I am confident that with this support provided throughout study leave, together with the fact that students have had a three year Key Stage 4, every student will have the best opportunity to be successful in their exams. It would be a worthwhile activity to sit down with your child to plan which revision sessions they are going to access around their exam timetable. Please don't hesitate to contact your child's form tutor if you feel that they require any further support.

I would also like to remind you that Year 11 have their Leavers Morning on **Friday 13 May**. Students should attend school as usual in full uniform. There will be a celebration assembly during Period 1 and 2 where there will be a photo booth, music and snacks. The Leavers Books and Hoodies will also be given out to those students that have ordered them. They will then leave school site by approximately 11am and have the rest of the day to revise and prepare for their exams which begin the following week.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time being Head of Year to this fantastic year group and I feel very proud of how far the students have come. I wish them all the best of luck with their forthcoming exams and thanks again for all your continued support this year.

Kind regards

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