15<sup>th</sup> September, 2020

## Dear Parent/Carer of Y11 Student

It was lovely to see so many of you on Tuesday evening at our information evening, thank you for your support as your child now enters their final year of school.

## Year 11 Baseline Assessment 2020

I am writing to you with more information regarding your son/daughter's baseline assessment as discussed at our recent information evening. In order to correctly assess each student, their current attainment levels and their progress accurately, every pupil in Year 11 will sit assessments in each of their chosen subjects from Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September to Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> September. The data gathered from these exams will be analysed thoroughly and be used strategically to plan ahead for each individual pupil and any identified needs. It is part of a carefully planned process that will enable us to best support any specific pupils, areas, subjects and address any needs that may arise, thus allowing every pupil to reach their potential next summer. We view this as a first vital step in a series of supportive measures we will implement throughout the year to ensure that all pupils achieve the grades they are capable of. Below is a summary of the exam timetable your son/daughter will receive this week:

Time	Wednesday 23rd September	Thursday 24th September	Friday 25th September		Monday 28th September	Tuesday 29th September	
08:45	Pre - assessmentsession (20 mins)						
09:05	English Language	Maths P1					Art
			English Literature		Maths P2	Option A	DT
							German
							History
							Photography
11:30	Lunch						
12:10	Pre-assessment session (20 mins)						
12:30	Physics	Biology	Option B	Geography	Chemistry	Option C	Business
				H&SC			French
				History			Geography
				IT			German
				PE			History
				Music			

Alongside the assessment, students will have a pre-assessment session. This is co-ordinated by a senior subject specialist and provides students with some vital hints/tips before the start of the assessment. This process will be replicated for both mock series and the summer examinations.

Teachers will be providing some revision guidance in lesson time as we help prepare students, coupled with our form tutor support.

Your support with this process at this time is vital to helping your child succeed now and throughout the remainder of the year. Your care and support with their daily attendance, being correctly equipped, punctual and your help and encouragement for them to complete all of their homework and extra reading will all help foster the right environment for success.

As always, if there is anything further, we can do to support your child in achieving exam success in next summer, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

Mr Barratt Director KS4

