



Friday 05 September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Re: Year 11 – The Term Ahead**

I do hope you have had an enjoyable summer break. I am writing to share some information with you about the term ahead for your child as they enter this important final year of their secondary education.

I have today spoken with students about the additional support in place for them as well as the increased expectations we now have of them that will ensure they achieve the best GCSE outcomes possible next summer. This includes the following:

**1. Academic tutor time**

Students doing triple science GCSE will be in a science tutor group whilst all other students have been placed into an English or maths tutor group based on need. Tutor time represents an additional 2.5 hours of learning and it is vital all students are on time for school so they can benefit from this.

**2. Period 5 provision**

Year 11 students' school days are extended to 4pm on Mondays and Tuesdays for additional lessons in core subjects. Period 5 commences on Monday 8 September and attendance is compulsory.

**3. Period 0 provision**

Some students will be invited to attend morning booster sessions in their 'option' subjects. These are highly-individualised, small-group sessions which we strongly advise students who are invited to attend.

**4. Mock examinations**

Students will sit a full set of mock examinations in the fortnight commencing 10 November, which is just 40 school days away. I will write out to you again in the coming weeks with more information about this important first set of assessments.

**5. Supporting Student Well-being**

While academic success is a key focus this year, we also recognise the importance of supporting students' mental health and overall well-being. Year 11 can be a demanding time, and we are committed to ensuring that students feel supported, balanced, and confident. Our pastoral team, tutors, and support staff are all available to help, and we encourage students to speak up if they are feeling overwhelmed or anxious. We also welcome communication from parents and carers so we can work together to support your child holistically.

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performing schools in the country. The provision I have outlined is proven to work and it is so important that students engage with it from day one!

I look forward to working with you over the coming year.

Yours sincerely

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