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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are almost half a term into the new school year and time is flying. Year 11 students have just seven months – 30 weeks - left before their GCSE exams begin in May 2018 and we are putting in place arrangements to make sure they begin serious revision plans to prepare for the mock exams and the real things from as early as possible.

As you will be aware, staff are already running after school revision and extra help sessions from 3:00 – 4:00 and we would encourage you to help your child to attend as often as possible. At the moment, these sessions are voluntary; as we move closer to exam season they will become compulsory for all students to attend.

Currently, Mr Green is running English on Mondays and Mr Davies, Science on Tuesdays. Mr Hailwood provides Maths sessions on Thursday; and Miss Dakers is running History sessions on Wednesday. I am very grateful that staff are able to put so much support in for the students and hope they will make the most of the time and effort staff are contributing.

After half term, Mrs Woodman will be running a longer session from 3:00 – 5:30 on Monday nights.

We will be holding a Year 11 parents' 'drop in' evening on Thursday 19th October, from 3:30pm – 5:00pm. This is an opportunity for you to touch base with your child's teachers if you have any worries or concerns early in the year. If you would like to attend, please indicate on the slip below who you would like to meet with and we will arrange appointments for you. Class teachers will make themselves available in their classrooms during the given time slot.

Finally, advance warning that the formal Year 11 parents' evening and destinations evening will be held on Wednesday 10th January as usual in school, which will be an opportunity for you and your child to discuss mock exam results with staff and investigate with the help of Inspira and other external providers potential next steps towards further or higher education and employment.

This is a very important year in your child's education, and we look forward to working together to ensure they are as successful as possible in obtaining the exam passes they will need for the next step in their careers. Please do not hesitate to contact Year 11 tutors, Mrs Woodman or Mr Harris, or myself, at school should you have any queries or concerns.

Yours sincerely



Judith Schafer

Headteacher

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Name of student:

Parent/Carer:

I would like to attend the Year 11 drop in evening on Thursday 19th October and would like appointments to be made for me to see the following teachers:

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