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June 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

#### Motivation + Commitment = Success + Prom.

We are pleased with the current progress Year 10 are making. They have demonstrated engagement and focus during their English Literature examinations and are now preparing for their mock assessments (which will begin week commencing 19<sup>th</sup> June). Mock exam timetables have been emailed to both students and parents.

#### **Year 11 Commitment sessions**

As the final year of GCSE is so crucial, in September students will have 'commitment' sessions on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The college day will finish at 3.30pm on these days.

All students will have Maths or Science Commitment on a Tuesday which they must attend and, on a Wednesday and Thursday students are expected to stay on site to work with their teachers in their option subjects. In these sessions staff will teach new content or a topic area that students have found difficult, they will assist students to improve work or to enable them to complete work that has been missed. Students who are making good progress and are on track with their work may not be required to remain on site on a Wednesday and Thursday and they will be given permission to leave.

The 'commitment' timetable is as follows:

	Tuesday (All students)	Wednesday	Thursday
Week A	Maths	Option subjects	Option subjects
Week B	Science	Option subjects	Option subjects

We are letting families know this now, in order that arrangements can be made in preparation for September. Students should not make routine medical appointments or other arrangements until after 3.30pm on these days. Students who have good attendance and attend these sessions will be the most successful in their GCSE examinations.

#### Prom

The criteria for prom is as follows:

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- **1.94% Attendance, including being punctual,** (this means that students who are absent for more than 7 days between the start of year 11 and Easter will not be able to attend)
- 2. A good behaviour record,
- 3. Full attendance to commitment sessions, including completing home learning.

Students who do not meet the criteria <u>will not</u> be eligible to buy a prom ticket. They will be given regular updates on their attendance percentage so that students can determine whether they are eligible. We urge parents not to spend money on prom outfits if they are unsure that their child will not meet the criteria. If you feel your child will not meet the criteria due to extenuating circumstances then please speak to Mrs Cunningham.

### **Upcoming events**

There are many key events for year 10 this half term as detailed below. We therefore encourage students to show maximum motivation in their lessons and have excellent attendance in order to maximise their progress.

Week 1 (5 <sup>th</sup> June)	Preparation for mock examinations		
Week 2 (12 <sup>th</sup> June)	Preparation for mock examinations		
Week 3 (19 <sup>th</sup> June)	Mock examinations (Tuesday- Science Commitment)		
Week 4 (26 <sup>th</sup> June)	Mock examinations		
Week 5 (7 <sup>th</sup> July)	Sports day		
Week 6 (11 <sup>th</sup> -13 <sup>th</sup> July)	Year 10/P16 taster sessions		
Week 7 (17th July)	Rewards trips/ reports issued with mock grades.		
Summer break – Year 11 starts			

Yours sincerely

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