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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope this letter finds you well. As we approach the end of the Year, I would like to take this opportunity to commend our Learners on their efforts during the recent mock examinations. Their preparation, approach to the exam's, determination and positive attitude throughout the period has been exemplary.

Looking ahead we have several key dates to share with you:

30th January, 5 - 7pm, Year 11 Success Fayre and Sixth form Options Evening

8th May - 28th June, Start and end dates of GCSE Public Examinations

21st August - Results Day

It is important to note that there are just 14 school weeks (68 learning days) after the Christmas break before the Public examinations begin. This time will be crucial for Learners as they consolidate their learning and focus on making the final preparations for the start of the exams. As you are all aware, there is a direct and undeniable correlation between school attendance and positive academic outcomes. It is therefore imperative that your child attends each day until the start of the exams.

In order to underline the importance of high attendance and its positive impact on Year 11 learners' best possible outcomes, the school is putting into place an attendance threshold in order for learners to attend the end of year achievement ceremony. In order to receive an invite Year 11 learners will need to:

- Have no more than **10%** absence (so a minimum of 90% attendance) from Monday 6th January to Friday 23rd May.
- Have no more than **20** Late to school marks (issued from 8.50am onwards) between the above dates
- Receive no more than **30** Negative ClassCharts points between the above dates

Learners will be able to keep a check on their totals in routine reports discussed in Mentor periods. Mentor periods for Year 11 will also be changing from January, with a more subject specific focus, again to try and maximise learners' confidence and preparedness prior to their summer examinations. More information on this new approach to Mentor time will be shared with learners once they return from the Christmas break.



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This **10-20-30** approach has been very successful in previous years in our Sixth Form, and is also similar to other practices in similar schools where Year 11 attendance and performance is a priority. It is important to note that the majority of Year 11 learners already meet the requirements proposed and I fully expect them to continue to do so, however it is clear that other learners require greater encouragement and support.

The key dates noted above provide opportunities for Learners to make informed decisions about the next stage of their learning. We encourage you to engage with the events where possible and discuss them with your child.

Thank you for your ongoing support in helping our Learners achieve their best. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions regarding the upcoming dates or your child's progress.

Yours Sincerely

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