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Dear Parent/Guardian

Year 10 Pre-Public Examinations - Expectations

Year 10 students are sitting their Pre-Public Examinations ('PPEs') from 7 - 16 June 2021. During this time, it is important that students are meeting the expectations of these internal examinations.

On Monday 7 June, a large number of students needed to borrow equipment, resulting in the examination hall, and our inclusion department, handing out all of the equipment we had available. Students are expected to have their own equipment for examinations, and as such from Wednesday 9 June 2021 students will not be provided with any equipment for examinations. The exception to this is for pupil premium students; if your child is pupil premium and requires equipment to support them with the examinations, then they should speak to our Pupil Premium Champion, Mr Pearce, before the day of the exam to request to borrow equipment. This equipment can then be lent for the duration of the examination period. All students were informed of this this morning, and as such any Pupil Premium students requesting equipment on the morning of the examination will not be provided equipment unless they have spoken to Mr Pearce previously.

The equipment needed for examinations was detailed in my letter dated 29 April 2021, however, for ease this is also listed below and should be brought to all examinations:

- Black pen (including spares);
- Pencil;
- Ruler;
- Eraser;
- Pencil sharpener;
- Scientific Calculator (recommended: Casio FX-83GTX Scientific Calculator/Casio fx85GTX Scientific Calculator);
- Protractor (for Mathematics only);
- Compass (for Mathematics only).

Equipment should be in a clear, plain, pencil case.

These PPEs are internal examinations and as such it is important that students are upholding the behaviour and uniform policies. Therefore, students will not be able to enter the examination hall if they have incorrect uniform e.g. trainers, grey jumper/tracksuit bottoms, false nails etc. Any student with incorrect uniform will be given the opportunity to rectify this and return to the examination hall if the exams have not started, otherwise they will be asked to sit their exams in an alternative location, such as our Supported Study room.

All students in year 10 were reminded of the uniform and equipment expectations, along with examination expectations, such as silence until leaving the exam hall, this morning.

I would ask for your support in discussing the expectations within this letter with your child.

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Should you have any questions please contact your child's form tutor, via the school reception.

Yours sincerely,

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