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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Year 11 Pre-Public Examinations

Students in year 11 will be having their Pre-public Examinations ('PPE's) from **8 November 2021 – 19 November 2021.** During this time, students will sit exams in all subjects. This is an opportunity for students to experience what it would be like to sit their GCSE's. Students will sit some of these exams in the Sports Hall and others will be completed in classrooms. Students should treat all exams with the highest level of seriousness regardless of their location. These examinations are an opportunity for students to gain a realistic experience of their examinations. Nearer to the exams, students will receive a timetable showing the exams they have each day. All students should be part of the Examinations Google Classroom, this is where key information will be shared. The class code for this is: **tsurbon.**

Students should be reminded that these examinations should be treated as if they are their real GCSE examinations and as such they will be expected to follow all rules and expectations put in place, failure to do so could result in the student being seen as committing an exam malpractice offense.

Students will need to bring equipment to their exams, we are unable to provide equipment to students. Equipment should be in a clear, plain, pencil case. The equipment needed is:

- Black pen (including spares);
- Pencil:
- Ruler;
- Eraser;
- Pencil sharpener;
- Scientific Calculator (recommended: Casio FX-83GTX Scientific Calculator/Casio fx-85GTX Scientific Calculator);
- Protractor (for Mathematics);
- Compass (for Mathematics).

These are important exams and are a key opportunity for students to assess their own progress and understanding of the subjects they are studying. As such, students should begin preparing for these exams early. Students were informed of the dates of the PPEs in our first assembly of the year in order to aid this preparation. To further support with this, we will be holding revision corridor sessions after school that students are expected to attend. Students have been selected for these revision corridors and will receive information as to the sessions they should attend. In addition to these targeted sessions, there are a number of open sessions that all students are able to attend. I have included an overview document so that you are able to see the dates and times of all sessions. All open sessions are highlighted in the table, all other sessions are those that are targeted for specific students. Students will be informed who is expected to attend each session. I would ask that you encourage your child to attend these revision corridor sessions and to complete additional revision at home. We have access to GCSEPod, a brilliant online learning platform, that all students can access to aid their revision. I would also ask that where this is possible, you support them by providing a quiet space for revision or assist them to create a revision timetable.

Should you have any questions regarding the upcoming PPE's please contact your child's form tutor, via the school office email meroffice@madienerleghtrust.org.

Yours sincerely,

Miss B Davies
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