

Our Ref: Year 11 Revision / TWI

Friday 21st November

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Re: Year 11 GCSE Preparation

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all those who were able to meet with staff for the Year 11 Parents' Evening to discuss your child's progress. We greatly value these conversations and the partnership they help us build. I would also like to extend our thanks for the exceptional turnout at last week's Sixth Form Open Evening—it was wonderful to see so many families exploring the opportunities available to our students as they consider their next steps.

If you were unable to attend either event, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teachers via email or through Class Charts to request an update on their current progress.

Students have now received their January mock exam timetables and should be preparing for these assessments through regular, structured revision. To support them, I have attached subject-specific guides outlining effective revision strategies for each course.

During the first few days back after the Christmas holidays, we will be holding a series of revision "drop down" days for English, Maths and Science on Tuesday 6th January, Wednesday 7th January, and Thursday 8th January respectively. These will consist of revision-focused lectures delivered by subject teachers and senior staff during periods 1–4 each day. Students will attend their normal scheduled lessons during period 5.

The mock examinations will then take place between Monday 12th January and Friday 23rd January in full examination conditions, taking place in the Sports Hall, Gym, and additional smaller rooms as needed. We encourage parents to check with both their child and their form tutor to ensure that appropriate exam access arrangements are in place for students with additional needs. If you have any further questions or concerns regarding this, please contact the school's SEND department at SEND@thedustonschool.org.

Looking ahead, on **13th February 2026**, we will be launching our Period 6 programme. This will include 'How to Revise' seminars with a guest speaker, as well as an evening session for parents titled 'How to Help Your Child Revise'. Further details and booking forms will be shared closer to the time.

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to ensure our Year 11 students are fully prepared for the important months ahead. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,



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