

Our Ref: KM/ERC

16<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we move into the final term of Year 10, your son/daughter will begin to focus on their end of year examinations. During the week beginning 3<sup>rd</sup> July, your child will undertake a series of examinations in their chosen subjects. An exam timetable will be published nearer to the time and your child will bring this home. There will also be a copy on the school website for your reference.

Your son/daughter is now at a crucial point in their GCSE's, with only two and a half terms left to go before they take their final exams. Therefore, we believe it to be absolutely vital that they feel they have a variety of tools at their disposal to ensure success in their examinations at the end of Year 11.

To support this ambition, your child will be shown how to plan their revision time effectively. This will involve how to balance the correct amount of study in conjunction with their "relaxation time." They will also learn how to manage their revision timings effectively and will be given a "Hanson Habit Planner" to promote these key areas. Please expect your child to come home with their Habit Planner during the week of **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June**. We would be delighted if this could be displayed somewhere prominent at home so that everyone in the household knows what the plan is!

Furthermore, during the following week, your son/daughter will learn or have an opportunity to perhaps build on revision strategies they currently know how to use. These strategies will be explored during form time and will equip your child with valuable and smart ways to revise. By the end of this process, there will then be a two week period in which your child should be revising before their exams. During this time, we would value your support by ensuring that your son/daughter is committing themselves to the revision plan they have created in their "Hanson Habit Planner."

At the start of Year 11 there will be an opportunity for parents to attend a "Parents Study Skills" workshop in which you will be shown ways to support your child through the year. If you would like any advice in advance of the Year 10 examinations however, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

It is our aspiration to work in close conjunction with you to support your son/daughter so that they achieve their full potential at all times.

Yours faithfully,



Mrs K McKenzie  
Attainment & Progress Leader