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Dear Parent/Carer

I hope this letter finds you well.

We value your support in ensuring your child completes homework and revision to the best of their ability and meets deadlines set by their teachers. You will find attached to this letter key information from subject areas as to specific homework tasks set for completion over the Christmas break. Information to support pupils with completion of these tasks has been shared with them and useful websites are listed on our school website (in 'School Life', then 'Helping Your Child'). Our expectation is that students complete all of the homework set by their teachers and we appreciate your full support in ensuring this work is done.

Following the recent mock exam results we have identified students who need further support in order to reach their potential and our STEP revision programme has restarted and will continue into the new term. If your child is required then this will be recorded in their planner. It is vital students recognise these revision classes as an invaluable source of support and intervention that can help them achieve the very best grades possible.

In preparation for the next series of mock examinations, and the final GCSEs, we have invited 'Positively Mad' into school on Thursday 9 January, to work with all of our Y11 students. They will deliver their 'Exam Buster' workshop, which is designed to empower students with exam preparation tips, revision tools and stress management techniques. Positively Mad have also agreed to deliver a session for parents/carers from 4.00-5.00pm on the same day. The session will provide a summary of the key messages from the Exam Buster workshop. All parents/carers of Y11 students are invited to attend, with refreshments provided from 3.45pm.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child then please contact your child's Head of House.

Kind regards

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Mrs D Ritchie

(Deputy Headteacher)



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