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YEAR 10 EXAMS: SUMMER TERM 2016

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to keep you updated on the range of exams for year 10 students during the summer term and how you can support your child to be successful in these:

- **Core Science GCSE:** as you will be aware, the year 10 students will be sitting their first GCSE exam on Wednesday 25th May and Thursday 10th June. The science department have sent information and revision materials to parents and the teachers are currently working on revision techniques with the students to prepare them for the exam. It is vital that all the students are regularly revising at home in order to be in the best possible position to achieve their best in the GCSE. (Separate Science students will sit their exams during the Year 10 exam week)
- **French and Spanish Controlled Assessments 15th – 17th June:** the French and Spanish speaking exams are part of the students' actual GCSE and the results from these assessments will count towards their overall GCSE grade. Therefore it is vitally important that the students are practising regularly at home and are attending any extra-curricular sessions provided by the Languages department.
- **Year 10 Exam Week:** this will take place slightly later than stated in the calendar and will start on the 22nd June. These exams are extremely important; the students will be sitting actual GCSE papers in order to prepare them appropriately for the Public Exams in year 11. A timetable and further information will be sent to you after the May half term.
- **The 'How to support your child's revision' booklet and the 'Revision Materials' booklet:** enclosed with this letter are two booklets designed to provide you with tips and guidance on how to support your child with their revision for the exams. The teachers will be preparing your child for the exams during the lessons and through the homework being set but please don't underestimate how much your support and encouragement at home can determine your child's success in their exams.

A further letter will be sent following the May half term break with details regarding the yr 10 exam week.

Yours faithfully,



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