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Subject: Year 11 Exam Preparation: Maximising Potential

Dear Parents/Guardians.

As Year 11 exams approach, we are focused on ensuring every student achieves the highest possible grades, particularly in English and Mathematics. Achieving strong grades in these subjects is crucial for future opportunities and will significantly enhance your child's life chances. Many college courses and apprenticeships require a minimum of a grade 4 and achieving higher grades open doors to further education and careers.

Your support in encouraging consistent, independent home study is vital for your child's success. Self-study is being set weekly for a minimum of one hour. Tasks will include revision and application of exam technique. When your child has completed their self study, please direct them to the following recommended resources to help them with preparing further for their GCSE exams. These are in addition to the Wildern Maths and English Google sites.

- Maths: <u>SPARX Maths</u> (complete the XP boost tasks), <u>Maths Genie</u>, past exam papers (Edexcel exam board), acting on teacher feedback.
- English: Wildern study guides (daily 10-minute tasks), past exam papers that can be found on our Google sites (linked above) and optional PG online Clear revision guides (please note these require a purchase). Crucially, encourage timed practice of extended, handwritten responses to exam questions. Students with exam concessions for word processing should practice in that agreed format.

Please ensure that your child avoids using Al generation tools such as Gauthmaths, PhotoMath or Al response writing software for English essays as these generate a false sense of achievement and hinder genuine understanding. You should also be aware of inaccurate revision advice on TikTok and other social media platforms. Instead, your child should utilise the school subject Google websites (see links above) for reliable resources.

Your support is vital. Please contact us with any questions.

Yours sincerely,

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