



5th February 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach the half-term and exam season for your child, I wanted to inform you of the offer we have in place to support a successful approach and preparation for the upcoming GCSEs.

Each week (in English) we offer two levels of support, the first being an after-school intervention session which is an intense teaching of a particular skill from the Language or Literature papers; the second is a revision session where students can sit and revise in a quiet space in the English department, both are from 3:15pm-4pm every Monday. I have included the schedule below of the intervention sessions for your reference. Students have been selected for the intervention based on their performance in the November mock papers, and this will ensure they are gaining as many marks as possible for the summer exams.

15/1/24	Language and Literature
22/1/24	Language Paper 1 Q3
29/1/24	Language Paper 1 Q4
5/2/24	Language Paper 1 Q5 Writing to describe
19/2/24	Language Paper 2 Q5 Writing to express an opinion
26/2/24	Year 11 Mock exams- drop in – Language focus
4/3/24	Year 11 Mock exams- drop in – Literature focus
11/03	Literature Paper 2 - Poetry
18/03	Literature – Academic Essay Writing

Furthermore, I wanted to inform you of the exam dates for English and how your child can revise in preparation for these:

Monday 13th May 2024 -am (1h 45m) Literature Paper 1 – Macbeth, Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde and A Christmas Carol - **Revise: Plot, Character, Key quotes, Themes, Academic analytical phrases**

Monday 20th May 2024 - am (2h 15m) Literature Paper 2 – An Inspector Calls, Poetry Anthology, Unseen Poetry **Revise: Plot, Character, Key quotes, Themes, Academic analytical phrases**

Thursday 23rd May 2024 – am (1h 45m) Language Paper 1 – Explorations in creative reading and writing **Revise: Know the skills and timings for each question and Practice, Practice, Practice!**

Thursday 6th June 2024– am (1h 45m) Language Paper 2 – Writers' viewpoints and perspectives **Revise: Know the skills and timings for each question and Practice, Practice, Practice!**

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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