**Parents meeting 11/9/2013**

**Interventions and help**

* Tutor groups- 11E, M and S; for targeted students, these groups will be initially set up for the November exams. These groups will be headed by specialist subject teachers. The aim; to improve and consolidate learning in small bursts during registration periods. This will be reviewed after the November exams.
* Drop down interventions - these are withdrawal periods for targeted students.
* Holiday interventions, certain days will be set aside during the holiday periods, they may offer support for course work or revision.
* There will be sessions run on Saturdays with a clear timetable.
* Peer Mentoring - The groups will run 3 mornings a week prior to school in the core subjects. Mentees will be encouraged to attend as they will benefit from their peers expertise, they will be overseen by a member of staff, but the students will set the programme under guidance. We have asked for voluntary Peer Mentors and we will encourage them to take part as this should also benefit their own learning refreshing their knowledge.
* A quite study room will be available to students from 8-8.30am each morning for any who wish to revise or complete work.
* STEP Days - This time will be used for catch up and revision; Options and Core subjects. Targets will be set by students during Pastoral time.

**Things that can help**

Encourage and support them to take part in the interventions offered – they make a **BIG** difference. **Your support is vital.**

Ask weekly if there are any letters, most offers and other relevant information will be sent via the student.

Check and use the school website to see what’s happening for Year 11.

Attend any special subject events that you are invited to – these will demonstrate the resources that are on offer to you and your son or daughter to prepare for the exams.

Make sure we have the correct contact details for you – especially a mobile phone. If it changes please let us know immediately.

Attend the Parents evening on the 29th January. Check the interim reports, praise and encourage.

Check student planners regularly, encourage them to complete all work set and to work consistently so that they do not fall behind.

Ensure regular attendance and punctuality to school.

Where possible, book appointments outside school time.

Do not book holidays in school time until after the 4th July, the Thomas Tallis Record of Achievement, takes place on this day.

**Examinations Autumn Term 2013**

**AQA English**

Unit 1 Tuesday 5th November AM 2hrs 15 mins (Mock exam 10th October AM)

**Edexcel Maths**

P1 Wednesday 6th November AM 1hr 45 mins

P2 Friday 8th November AM 1hr 45 mins