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Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 11 GCSE exam arrangements

We are writing to update you on the arrangements for Year 11 as they approach their final GCSE exams.

Year 11 have conducted themselves impressively during their recent round of mock examinations and continue to work hard in their lessons. We have no doubt they will meet the challenges of the upcoming exams with their usual diligence and determination.

Exam timetables

Year 11 students will receive their personal exam timetables on the Wednesday 18 March in PSHCE. Practical exams and languages speaking exams will begin shortly after the Easter holidays.

Active Study Leave

From Monday 11 May to Friday 22 May, Year 11 will be on Active Study Leave.

This means students will be expected to attend lessons Periods 1-4, unless in an exam. Lessons will focus on preparing students for the upcoming exams. If a subject has finished all teaching and exams, students will be supervised to complete silent revision.

During Active Study Leave, students are free to leave site at lunchtime if they do not have an exam in that afternoon. If they do not have a quiet space to work off site, or prefer to work in school, they can stay on site and use the designated Study Hall after lunch. If students choose to leave site, they are expected to go straight home. Students may not leave site for lunch and return to school later.

A generic exam timetable will also be shared with parents.

Arrangements for Friday 22 May

- Students should attend school as normal on this day.
- There will be a Leavers' Assembly for students and tutors during Period 3. Students will then be dismissed from school at 13:00. There will be a formal opportunity for students to sign their school shirts on this day from break time.
- Students must be in full uniform for examinations, so please make sure they have a spare unsigned shirt at home.

Easter Revision

Easter is a crucial time for students to rest and revise. Students should be completing at least four hours of independent revision a day. We advise them to take rest breaks every 40 minutes. Revision sessions are also running in school for selected groups. A timetable will be emailed to parents, carers, and students shortly. Please encourage students to attend. Mrs Odd will also email an overview of

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what students need to revise, and useful resources. This will be posted on the Year 11 Support and Guidance webpage here: thomastallisschool.com/year-11-support--guidance.html

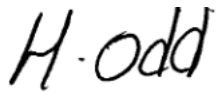
You will receive another letter that includes more detailed information regarding examination rules and regulations, as well as details about Prom, the Year 11 Ceremony, and Results.

We would like to thank you for all your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,



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