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Dear Parents and Carers

Year 11 Update - internal assessments and teacher-assessed grades (TAGs)

On the 24th March I wrote to you with some of the key information regarding Y11 Easter revision, internal assessments and teacher-assessed grades. I am pleased to announce that the Easter revision was extremely well attended, which is no surprise to us as we know how hardworking our students are.

Our Heads of Department have been working extremely hard to design appropriate internal assessments for their subject, so that the assessments only contain content that the students have covered. These assessments will be taken during students' timetabled lessons, in their usual classrooms, to cause minimal disruption and anxiety. I must stress that these internal assessments are not another set of mocks, nor are they GCSE exams. They are simply a test completed during lesson time, which can be used as further evidence alongside their classwork, homework, remote learning, mocks and any coursework where applicable, to award the students the grade that they truly deserve.

Please find accompanying this letter the internal assessment timetable for the next three weeks that we shared with the students today during tutor time.

Once the students have completed their assessment for each subject, they will return to normal lessons, as every lesson will continue to count towards their TAG. In simple terms, if the students are in every day, engage well in all lessons and complete any homework to the best of their ability then their grades can only improve.

If you have any questions on any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact your child's form tutor or either of us.

Yours sincerely

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