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Dear Parents & Carers

Revising for Y11 Mock Exams in October

The October mock exams will soon be upon us and I'd like to share some advice on how to revise alongside links to additional resources.

As shared with pupils on Thursday 22 September, our advice is to schedule in between 10 and 15 45-minute revision sessions per week in the run up to the mocks, ensuring a good amount of revision can be completed.

All Year 11 pupils have been given a revision planner and Cornell notes pad. To supplement this, I have provided a link to a further revision strategies guide below that gives additional advice. Cornell notes are a proven method of revision and we know they can really help pupils organise their revision so that they can recall facts more easily in exams.

Revision Strategies Booklet (pdf)

All departments put extensive revision materials in ClassCharts and these will help direct revision. Other helpful websites include the exam board websites, BBC Bitesize, Seneca Learning and subject specific websites. Please encourage your child to use these - and if you have issues with ICT availability at home please contact me at school.

Over the course of Y11, many pupils start to suffer from a degree of exam anxiety and this Government website provides helpful information on dealing with exam anxiety:

Coping with exam pressure - a guide for students - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

If your child is suffering with exam anxiety, please look to reassure them as much as possible. It is also important that you let us know at school so that we can put additional measures in place to help your child.

Finally, we are delighted with the start of Y11 in their final year at Hall Green. They deserve to do well next summer and we wish your child good luck in their mock exams next month.

Best wishes

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