



Monday 14th September

Year 11 Raising Achievement Plan

Dear Families

We are incredibly proud of how well our Year 11 pupils have approached the start of this important year as they work towards their external examinations. It was evident that they prepared thoroughly for their end of year examinations in Year 10 in each of their subjects, and this will prove to be invaluable preparation as they move closer to the real thing next summer.

This week pupils attended a Raising Achievement Plan launch assembly, during which we outlined how they will prepare for their upcoming mock examinations. Our 'Raising Achievement Plan' is the six-week period in the lead up to a formal assessment where pupils are equipped with everything they need in order to do their best. Mock examinations will begin on **Monday 9th November 2026** and the RAP will start on **Monday 21st September**. This is the same routine that we followed before their formal assessments during Year 10, in order to help them build the essential independent revision skills needed for GCSE success.

During the week commencing 21st September, pupils will be given a RAP booklet for each of the subjects that will be assessed in the mock examinations. These booklets will include week-by-week revision activities in order to help pupils manage their preparation time effectively. This will be monitored by class teachers in order to support the successful completion of this crucial preparatory work. You will be able to access a digital copy of these booklets at the start of the RAP period on the school website.

Lunchtime and after-school Subject Support intervention sessions will also commence on Monday 21st September. In response to the end of Year 10 examination data, teachers and departments have identified students who they believe would benefit from further support, in order to close any gaps in learning and maximise their examination performance. This is an opportunity for teachers to work with smaller groups of pupils, targeting key areas of learning, which should help to secure and enhance knowledge, as well as developing skills and deepening their understanding of the topic areas within the subject. You can find a copy of the timetable for these sessions below. You will be notified again with confirmation of the sessions that your child is required to attend by their teachers and I would like to thank you in advance for your support with this.

During the Raising Achievement Plan, we will also provide Master Classes for Maths and English during the lunchtimes indicated below. These classes are planned to give advice on revision, exam technique, and performance and to build confidence before the mock examinations.

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All Master Classes will start at 12.40pm and pupils will be allowed in for first lunches on those dates.
Please note that pupils who attend Subject Support on these days must prioritise those sessions.

Master Classes (all pupils not attending a Subject Support session at that time)

Date	Session
Monday 21st September	English Literature
Monday 28th September	Maths (Foundation)
Monday 5th October	English Language
Monday 12th October	English Literature
Monday 19th October	Maths (Higher)
Monday 26th October	English Language

Subject Support (targeted invitees, but other pupils can attend)

Session	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime Session Mon - Thurs 12.40 - 1.15pm	Business Studies (1)	History (1)	Geography (1)	RE (1)	French (1)
Friday 12.15 - 12.45pm	Food / Health and Social Care / Child Development (2)	D&T (2)	ICT / Computer Science (2)	Music (2)	PE / Sport (2)
After School 3.20 - 4.30pm					
		Maths Higher & Foundation Art	English	Science Art	



We very much appreciate your cooperation in encouraging your child to attend all planned interventions and Master Classes, our experience shows that these sessions have a significant impact when pupils engage in a positive manner. Thank you for your ongoing support and, as always, if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch using the pastoral email addresses below.

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Yours faithfully

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