

## Year 10 Parent Forum Minutes: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2020, 9.30am – 10.15am

### Introduction

Y10 Parents Forum - An opportunity for discussions and sharing.

### How to support your child through exams

#### **1. Things to know:**

- Mock exams will take place during the summer term and exact dates will be shared with you soon
- Majority of exams don't have a coursework element – which means revision is vital
- Exams rely heavily on knowledge recall and the application of this knowledge to tasks
- Level 4 = 'old' C and what we want ALL students to get as a minimum especially in English and Maths
- Level 5 = 'high C/ low B' ideally what we would like all students to get as a minimum especially in English and Maths
- All students have target grades (which may well be more than a level 4 or 5). All students should be aware of these grades and are expected to be working towards them. These target grades are based on their performance at the end of KS2 and achieving their target grades is another important measure of a students success in their GCSE/Btec exams at the end of KS4
- There will be an intervention programme that will take place after school put into place that students MUST attend

#### **2. Things to do:**

- Ask your child about their exam timetable
- Support them in creating a revision timetable
- Provide them with some calm, quiet space to do their revision
- Help test them – encourage them to get you to ask questions
- Speak to your child about how they are feeling about their exams and keep an eye out for any significant changes in behavior – school can support with any concerns
- Celebrate progress

#### **3. Things to buy:**

- Highlighters
- Revision cards
- Mini white boards and marker pens

- Revision guides and booklets - check the exam board before purchasing booklets (please see below)

Subject	Awarding Bodies
RE	EDEXCEL
French	AQA
Spanish	AQA
Chemistry	AQA
Combined Science	AQA
Art	EDEXCEL
Physics	AQA
Business Studies	EDEXCEL
Biology	AQA
DT	EDEXCEL
Maths	EDEXCEL
Further Maths	AQA
English	AQA
Ancient History	OCR
Computer Science	OCR
Drama	WJEC
Dance	AQA
History	EDEXCEL
Geography	EDEXCEL
ICT	OCR
Music BTEC	EDEXCEL

#### 4. Timeline:

- Spring/Summer 2020: Y10 Mock Exams
- Summer 2020: Y10 Exams for Music, Bengali, etc. Students have already been given their exam timetables. PE BTEC have started their exams.
- Autumn 2021: Y11 Mock Exams
- Spring 2021: Y11 Mock Exams
- May 2021 onwards: Y11 GCSE Exams

#### **Next Parental Engagements:**

- School Surgery: Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2020  
9.30am – 10.15am - Topic – KS4 Pathways and Careers/Sixth Form.
- Year 7 Parent Forum: Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2020  
9.30am – 10.15am