

RDT/CLE

12 September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 10 GCSE Preparation Evening – Olympic Hall, Thursday 21 September 6.00pm – 7.30pm

As we embark on an important 2-year period for our Year 10 students, we understand the vital role you play in supporting your child's academic journey. Parents and carers always want the best for their child, but often think "things have changed since I was at school", and are often unsure of HOW to help. If this applies to you, we are excited to invite you to our GCSE Information Evening!

The GCSE Information Evening is designed to provide you with valuable information, resources and advice to help you support your child during these important 2 years. The evening will consist of a number of presentations from our staff, including:

- 1. **Subject-Specific Guidance:** Our Heads of English, Maths, and Science will share subject-specific information, strategies and key resources that can be applied not only to their respective subjects but also to support success in other subjects. You will gain valuable insights into subject-specific exam requirements and effective study techniques.
- General Revision and Study Skills: Our Directors of Learning will offer guidance on general revision techniques and study skills that are essential for effective study and exam preparation. These skills will be invaluable for your child's academic growth beyond Year 10.
- 3. Parental Involvement, Support at Home, and Mental Health: Our Head of Year will address the importance of parental involvement, offer tips for providing support at home, and discuss the significance of mental health during this demanding period. We believe that a holistic approach to education is essential for your child's well-being and success.

This Information Evening will not only provide you with essential information but also offer an opportunity to meet staff and connect with other parents who share similar concerns and aspirations. We encourage you to come with any questions you may have.

We look forward to welcoming you on **Thursday 21 September** and we hope you will find the evening informative and useful. Together, we can ensure that Year 10 and 11 are years of growth, achievement, and success for your child. To give us an idea of numbers, we would really appreciate If you could complete the online reply slip here. If you have any questions that might be helpful for us to know in advance, you'll be able to record them on the reply slip.

Finally, while writing to you, I am taking the opportunity to enclose an update from the Careers Department giving details of events that you might also be interested in, **especially**, **our Careers Fair on Tuesday 19 September.**

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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Assistant Headteacher

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