



16th December 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

### **Finishing in Front - Year 11 Independent revision sessions**

We are excited to be able to offer your child additional subject-supported independent revision sessions in the build-up to their Year 11 Pre-Public Examinations (PPEs). These PPEs will replicate the final GCSE public examination experience your child will have at the end of Year 11. It is of vital importance that Year 11 students now continue to develop the necessary independent revision skills that they will need in order to achieve their full potential and shine in their final examinations.

The *Finishing in Front* revision sessions aim to help students establish these all important revision skills and good revision habits. Year 11 will return in the Spring Term to Year 11 Revision Week. This will run from Monday 4th January to Thursday 7th January 2021. In lessons during this week, teachers will outline how to utilise a range of revision techniques with Year 11 students to help them build and retain subject knowledge. There will be a specific focus on the use of flash cards to support responding to exam questions. The *Finishing in Front* after school sessions will look to build on these techniques further as well as develop students' confidence using [GCSEPod](#) as an effective revision resource.

The sessions will be running from 3.10 - 4.10 pm Monday to Thursday starting on Monday 4th January and will continue until Thursday 7th January 2021..There are several benefits to these sessions, these include;

- access to useful resources
- support from teachers when stuck
- working collaboratively with their peers
- getting into positive revision habits - an hour of revision completed before going home.

Whilst we will provide some additional materials, students must bring **their own revision folders and resources** according to the timetable above in order to ensure these sessions will be of maximum benefit. **These materials should include their subject PLCs and revision materials already prepared.** There is an expectation that students will also be doing a significant amount of revision each day (minimum two hours) in preparation for their PPEs.

Year 11 have all been given a copy of the PPE schedule, this can be found [by clicking on this link](#) which will take you to the school website. Students also have access to [GCSE Pod](#). (To login to GCSEPod, students need to use their existing school email credentials). Students can use this additional support to revise over the Christmas holidays.

We will be writing to you in the New Year to provide you with an overview of the expectations for the PPEs.

We wish you all a restful holiday and look forward to seeing our students in January 2021.

Yours faithfully

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