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08/09/23 – SRY – Y11 Exam Prep Evening

8th September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

Year 11 Examination Preparation Evening

As our Year 11 students move towards their first assessment window at the end of the month, we would like to welcome you to attend our Year 11 Exam Information Evening, to be held on **Thursday 14th September 2023 at 5.30pm in the Main Hall, finishing at approximately 6.15pm.**

The evening will provide you with the opportunity to hear about how together, we can support your child as they continue their journey towards their final GCSE examinations in May 2024. This is a busy year for all students in Year 11 and it is crucial that they understand the expectations of them and how we will work together to support them to succeed.

The evening will consist of a short talk giving some general information about the next few months for Year 11 followed by presentations from the Heads of Core Subjects, Mrs Wraith (Head of English), Mr Elgie (Head of Maths) and Mr Flood (Head of Science). These presentations will consist of how students can best prepare themselves for their assessments, and longer term, how to begin preparatory work for the Summer 2024 examinations. Some staff will also be on hand to discuss exam preparation in other subject areas.

We will also be available to advise how, as parents and carers, you can support your child over the coming months. We strongly believe that, as in previous years, it is a partnership between school and home that enables students to succeed and we hope that in the final months of their time in Hurworth, we can work together to ensure every child is a success.

Parents and carers will receive a guidance booklet, which will include important details regarding revision strategies, subject specific information and key dates for our Year 11 students. Parents and carers will also be provided with a reminder of target grades, which will be handed out during the evening. Projected Grades will also be provided for each subject, so that you are able to see how well your child is progressing towards their target grade.

After School Classes

As part of our ongoing commitment to curriculum success, staff voluntarily give their time to run additional one-hour lessons at the end of the school day. These lessons are to support students with any outstanding work or coursework that needs to be completed. They may also be utilised to support students in preparatory work for in-class assessments, mock examinations and/or final examinations. These extra lessons will take place on a Monday to Thursday starting from 25th September 2023 and will run throughout the whole of their time in Year 11. Students will be provided with a bespoke timetable for this half term, which will indicate the days they are expected to remain in school.



If students have no other means of transport home, they can sign up for a minibus which stops at the following locations: Neasham Road, Middleton St George, Sadberge, Great Stainton and Bishopton. Details of how to sign up for the minibus will be sent to students and parents and carers before the 25th September 2023.

Year 11 Post 16 Information Evening

On Thursday 28th September 2023, between 5.00pm and 7.00pm, we will also be hosting a Year 11 Post 16 Information Evening explaining Post 16 choices. This event is well attended by colleges and apprenticeship providers. Further information about the careers support, your child can access during Year 11 is available on the school careers website in the information for parents/student entitlement booklet.

<http://careers.swiftacademies.org.uk/information-for-parents/>

We look forward to seeing you at both events.

Yours sincerely



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