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Year 11 Progress Exams

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we move further into Year 11, I would like to make you aware of the upcoming Progress Examination period. These exams are an important milestone in your child's GCSE journey and provide an opportunity for students to demonstrate the knowledge, understanding and skills they have developed in each subject.

The Progress Exams will take place from Monday 23rd November to Thursday 17th December. This will involve exams in all subjects, including practical exams at the end of this exam window. Please find attached a full exam timetable for all subjects, whilst your child will be provided with a personal exam timetable. Please take the time to review this with your child and ensure they are aware of the exams they will be sitting.

These Progress Exams will mirror, as closely as possible, the conditions and expectations of the final GCSE exams. Students will be expected to approach these assessments with the same seriousness and preparation that they would in the summer. These will then be followed by a Mock Results Morning, which will take place in January.

The outcomes from the Progress Exams will provide valuable information for students, parents and staff. They will help identify areas of strength, highlight topics requiring further development and enable teachers to provide tailored support and intervention where necessary. The process will also help students gain experience of managing revision, preparing effectively and working under exam conditions.

To support this, attached with this letter is also a Progress Exam Revision Booklet. This provides support and tips for revision, both general and subject specific, along with an outline of the topic areas that need to be revised for the Progress Exams for each subject. We strongly encourage students to begin their preparation early and we hope that this booklet allows you to support them with this.

In addition, we will be hosting our next Success at GCSE Evening on Wednesday 11th November, running from 18:00 – 19:30 in school. This will build upon the events held in Year 10 and will comprise of a short main talk in the hall, followed by a series of short workshop sessions that you can choose to attend. More information on this event will follow immediately after half term in a separate letter.

Finally, you shall also be receiving a copy of your child's latest report. This report will simply provide their current Projected Grade and Attitude to Learning Grades, whilst showing their progress in comparison to their Minium Expected Grades. Following the Progress Exams, you will receive a more detailed report with subject comments.

Thank you for your continued support. We are confident that, with hard work and determination, our Year 11 students will use this opportunity to make excellent progress as they prepare for the summer exam period. If you have any questions, please get in touch by emailing myself at **d.washington@eatonbank.ht.school** or your Head of Year, Mr Dytiche, at **b.dytiche@eatonbank.ht.school**

Yours sincerely

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