



The Banovallum School

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Dear Parents/Carers

I would like to invite you to the Year 11 Revision Evening which will take place in the main school hall at 6.00pm on Thursday 4 October.

This evening will build on the similar evening that many of you attended last year. We will be offering further advice on revision techniques and the demands of the courses being studied. We will also aim to provide parents with as much information as possible to enable you to provide your son/daughter at what will be a stressful time. Additionally, we are also hoping to have an external speaker who will provide practical tips and techniques for managing stressful situations. There will also be the opportunity to order/purchase revision materials.

I would like to provide you with an outline of what the school will be offering to support your son/daughter during Year 11. I will go into more detail about this at the meeting. There will be:

- Revision/Support sessions after school and at lunchtimes
- Revision/Support sessions run during the school holidays in February, at Easter and in May
- Saturday morning mentoring sessions run in conjunction with QEGS Sixth Form
- Revision workshops and exam warm-ups during the exams

As with last year, there will be no study leave. We believe the students will revise better in a structured and supervised environment. They will receive significant support and assistance during the exam period.

The after-school sessions which will begin shortly, will be invitation only and students will not be invited unless they show the correct attitude to learning during normal lessons. The sessions will begin at 4.00pm and end at 4.45pm and registers will be taken so that we can report back to parents on the students' attendance at these sessions. It is important to stress that the students should behave appropriately at these sessions, otherwise the privilege will be withdrawn.

Taken in isolation, the revision sessions are not the silver bullet to exam success. The style of the new exams mean that the students need to take ownership of their studies and complete a significant amount of independent revision.

I will go into our provision in more detail on 4 October. I look forward to seeing you then.

Yours faithfully,

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