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Dear Year 11 Families

### **Re: Study Leave for Year 11 students**

As we approach the start of formal examinations, we extend our best wishes to all Year 11 students and their families for the start of the GCSE and Vocational exams which are fast approaching. Our students are diligently consolidating their learning and benefiting from the additional support and expert teaching across all subjects, and during their 'before and after' school interventions.

This year, Year 11 students will be granted study leave in two phases:

#### **Phase 1 - Thursday 9 May**

Starting on Thursday 9 May, students may leave school at 1.25pm each day to revise at home in the afternoon (consent required below). This means that all students will be in school every day for periods 1 to 4 for the start of the exams. There are a large number of morning exams for all, or the majority of, students so this will provide the balance needed for routine, having access to their subject specialist teachers, and also allowing time for independent revision in the afternoons for the exams on the following day. Period 5 lessons will still be available during this time for any student choosing to stay and be supported by their teachers. On days when students don't have an exam during this time, they will be expected to be in school periods 1-4, as a minimum, for their lessons with their teachers.

#### **Phase 2 - Wednesday 22 May onward**

Students will be granted study leave for all times when they are not sitting an exam. During this phase we will still offer the lessons that students have exams remaining in, as well as dedicated rooms on site for Year 11 private revision.

#### **Important information**

1. There will be pre-exam briefings at 8.20am before all morning exams and during period 3 for afternoon exams, led by subject leaders and teachers.
2. During the Phase 1 of study leave arrangements, students will need to sign out at student services between 1.25pm and 1.45pm. After this time, students will need to remain on site for period 5. Once students have signed out for the day, they will not be able to return to site. Please do not arrive at the school site at other times as you will not be able to collect students outside of this window.
3. We will require parental consent to allow your child to leave at 1.25pm during Phase 1. Please complete this [link](#) before Monday 6 May to give this consent.



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We have thought very carefully about these arrangements this year, ensuring we strike a balance between keeping students in good routines, maximising time with expert teachers with years of experience, giving opportunities for independent preparation for exams the next day/in the future.

As always, if there is anything we can do to continue to support your child, please contact the school.

Wishing all our students all the very best.



**Mr King and all the EHS team**

