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Dear Parent / Guardian

Year 11 Communications

As we reach the end of this halved term, I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the hard work and determination shown by our Year 11 students during what is undoubtedly a challenging and important period of their school journey.

Over the last few weeks, students have approached their GCSE exams with maturity. We are incredibly proud of the way they have conducted themselves, and I would like to thank you for the vital support you continue to provide at home.

Half Term Revision

Although the half-term break offers a much needed chance to rest and recharge, we strongly encourage all students to maintain a healthy balance between rest and revision. This is a crucial time in the exam seasons, and continued structured preparation will make a significant difference in the final outcomes. Students should revisit topics already assessed, consolidate knowledge for upcoming papers and make the use of the revision resources and guidance provided by their teachers.

The timetable for the revision sessions is attached to this letter. We encourage all students to attend the sessions relevant to their subjects to make the most of this valuable opportunity.

Punctuality is critical.

Arriving late can cause significant stress for students and may, in some cases, prevent them from being allowed to sit the exam. It also disrupts other candidates and undermines the calm and focused environment necessary for exam success. We kindly ask that all students arrive at least 15 minutes before the scheduled start time to ensure they are fully prepared and settled. Students need to sign in with Miss Young at 8:15am

Uniform

Wearing the correct school uniform during exams is equally important. It maintains a sense of normality and school identity, reinforces expectations, and helps staff quickly identify students on the premises. Full uniform is a requirement throughout the exam season, and any issues with this should be addressed in advance with the school.

Eid

We are aware that some GCSE exams may fall on or near the dates of Eid celebrations this year, and we want to acknowledge the significance of this important religious occasion for many of our students and families.

However, we must also stress that GCSE exams are nationally timetabled and cannot be rescheduled for individual students. These exams are a vital part of a young person's academic journey and can significantly influence their future education and career opportunities. Missing an exam will result in a mark of zero for that paper.

We understand the desire to celebrate with family, and we are committed to supporting students in balancing their religious and academic commitments. When Eid falls on an exam day, we kindly ask that students attend their scheduled exam in full uniform. Once the exams are complete we will allow students to leave the school site to celebrate Eid.

Attendance

Year 11 attendance has been really good so far this exam season. Particularly on days where Core Subject exams have been at 9am, we have been really proud to see Year 11 students arriving bright and early. We would like to remind parents that students should be arriving before 8.25am to make the most of morning Booster sessions.

Day	Session	Subject	Offer (whole cohort, class or tutoring?)	Room
Tuesday 27th May	10:00 - 13:00	Maths	Whole Cohort	BF11 BF12 BF17
Wednesday 28th May	10:00 - 12:00	Urdu	Whole Cohort	
Wednesday 28th May	12:00 - 14:00	French	Whole Cohort	
Thursday 29th May	10:00 - 12:00	Science	Whole cohort	
Thursday 29th May	12:00 - 14:00	Geography Maths	Whole cohort Non-Geography	BF15 BF11 BF12

First Week Back: Key Information

When we return to the Academy on Monday 2nd June, students will go straight back into exams. Please ensure they arrive on time each day, in full school uniform, equipped with all the necessary equipment.

A full timetable has already been issued to students, and copies are available on the school website. We have made some changes to the Academy timetable the first week back, please see them outlined below.

Monday 2nd June	<p>Students who have Italian Reading or Urdu Writing must be in the Academy at 08:15.</p> <p>All other students must attend the Academy at 13:15 for a Maths Booster P5 and P6.</p>
Tuesday 3rd June	<p>Students who have Arabic writing, Portuguese Reading and Listening or Russian Reading and Listening must be in the Academy at 08:15.</p> <p>All other students must arrive during break time for a Maths Booster P3 and P4.</p> <p>Science Booster: P5 and P6.</p>
Wednesday 4th June	<p>All students must be in the Academy at 08:00 for a Maths Booster before the Maths exam.</p> <p>Students who study History will have a booster P3.</p> <p>All other students can leave the Academy after the Maths exam.</p>
Thursday 5th June	<p>Students who have a History exam must be in the Academy by 08:15.</p> <p>Students who study French will have a booster P3 and P4.</p> <p>All students will have an English Booster P5 and P6.</p>

Friday 6th June	All students must be in the Academy at 08:00 for an English Booster before the English exam. Students who study Geography will have a booster P3 and 4. Science booster for students P5 and P6.

Thank you for all of your support. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch. emma.pearson@coopacademies.co.uk.

Yours sincerely,

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