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Dear Year 11 Parent / Carer,

This year has been one of change for all pupils as they get back into the routine of full-time, in school learning. For our Year 11 students in their final year of formal education there has been some uncertainty as we were waiting until very recently for confirmation on the examination process from Welsh Government. This has now been received and we know pupils will be examined as normal. Please find further information here from the Welsh Government regarding Summer Examinations and Assessments.

<https://www.wjec.co.uk/home/2022-everything-you-need-to-know/as-a-level-and-gcse-assessment-arrangements-2022/>

Over the last few weeks I have been gathering information from teachers and teaching assistants about how well our pupils have been engaging in their learning. It has been a pleasure to see a high percentage of pupils displaying a positive and mature attitude to learning. The vast majority of them are focused and already well prepared for this final push to achieve GCSE success.

GCSE exams start on 16th May, exam timetables have been given to all pupils and are also available on the WJEC website. Pupils are expected to attend all lessons until they sit the exam in each subject, after their exam they are able to attend lessons and use the time for revision if they choose to do so.

Year 11 students are on the whole polite, well-behaved and well-mannered, however, the information gathered has highlighted that some pupils lack independence and resilience. It is evident that pupils now need to become more ambitious in all of their studies. In order to support pupils, form tutors will be working closely with students to identify key areas of strength and areas which require improvement as well as giving students the opportunity to discover and use a variety of new revision techniques. As their head of year I will be making contact with home to discuss the progress of those pupils who are causing the most concern.

A programme of after school revision sessions has been devised and will be placed on the school website and emailed to all pupils. The revision timetable is attached at the end of this letter and will also be on the school website. Every effort should be made to attend these valuable sessions. Year 11 have also attended a workshop on revision techniques, they were all given a full revision pack that contained an abundance of resources to help them revise. If any pupils need additional resources please come and see me as I have spare copies of most things.



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With your support at home, jointly, we can improve your child's confidence, understanding and continue to support and guide them so that they achieve their best grades to leave Cefn Saeson with the necessary results and experiences required for them to be successful in their future endeavours. Please ensure your child is organised, i.e use a planner or journal to note key assessment / homework dates and encourage your child to learn at home and create a revision timetable.

Very soon we will be inviting pupils to purchase tickets to our end of year celebrations. This will be held in Margam Orangery on 30th June. We have a strict attendance policy, only pupils who have conformed to our expectations and guidelines will be allowed to purchase tickets. Those pupils who have continually failed to follow school behaviour and uniform rules, have amassed 60+ behaviour points, are on a behaviour card at the time of ticket release or have very low attendance will not be allowed to attend. Tickets will also be issued on the return of the Chromebook given to your child by the school. We reserve the right to withdraw the invitation at any point before the event.

Tickets will cost approx. £30, this will cover the cost of buses, DJ, buffet and photo booth. We will confirm the final price as soon as we have confirmation of prices from some vendors. Year 11 pupils are currently organising events to raise funds for the optional extras they have decided on.

The buses will depart Cefn Saeson at 5:30pm and Margam Orangery at 9:30pm to return to school. All pupils attending the event must travel on the coaches provided.

Thank you in advance for your continued support and feel free to contact me if you have any queries.

Yours faithfully



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YEAR 11 – WEEK 1				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
French Option D IT Option C and D Construction DT Geography	Art Option C Art Option B IT Option A and B	History A History C and B	R.E Welsh	

YEAR 11 – WEEK 2				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Chemistry Mr Thomas/Miss Evans		Biology Mrs Humphries/Miss Butler/Miss Jones/Miss Jones	Physics R.E (paper 1)	

