



THE BIRKENHEAD PARK SCHOOL

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Dear Parent

Your son/daughter is commencing Year 11 and is only a few months away from the final GCSE examinations. It is vitally important that all students give their best during this final year of their GCSE studies so that they have the best chance of achieving success. Being well prepared, focused and engaged now will ensure that their performance next year will match their potential.

I am pleased to share with you details of additional support that we have in place this year to offer even greater support to our Year 11 students in the core subjects of English and Mathematics.

Firstly, unlike students in Years 7-10, our Year 11 students will remain in school on a Wednesday afternoon. This is to enable them to access masterclasses in Mathematics with our specialist team of staff. This additional masterclass will be compulsory for all Year 11 students, who will remain in school for Period 5 every Wednesday to attend this intervention. These sessions commence tomorrow, Wednesday 6th September, and will take place every week.

Secondly, a number of Year 11 students are invited to attend additional lessons in English in order to access targeted support and secure the best possible chances of success next summer. These lessons will take place during an additional Period 6 at the end of the day on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Please refer to your child's timetable to check whether they are required to attend these sessions.

Finally, we are able to offer a further lesson of English Literature to certain students during the week in order to boost specific gaps in skills, knowledge or understanding that arise as we assess students' progress. This additional lesson will take place on a Friday during Period 1 and will replace a core PE lesson. This is for a specified time of half a term in the first instance before being reviewed.

There is still time for Year 11 students to achieve their potential. We would ask for your support to work in partnership with us in encouraging your son/daughter to take full advantage of all of these opportunities in order to make maximum progress in English and Mathematics.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Mee, Deputy Headteacher.

Yours Faithfully

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