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9<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The year 11 mock exam period has just finished, and the final GCSE exams will shortly be upon our students. To ensure all students have the best chance of success in science, all year 11 students are expected to attend mandatory afterschool science revision sessions that will be taking place every Thursday from 3.10pm until 4.10pm.

The sessions are planned to focus on exam technique and crucial subject specific content across the three science disciplines.

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February: Chemistry – Bonding - Ionic vs Covalent vs Metallic

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February: Physics – Alpha, Beta, Gamma, and associated investigations Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March: Biology – Organisation – Organ Systems in Animals and Plants

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March: Chemistry – Quantitative Chemistry – Calculation Types and Practice Thursday 21st March: Physics – Electricity – Exam Question Practice (Equations and Graphs)

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March: Biology – Bioenergetics – Photosynthesis and Respiration

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April: Chemistry – Chemical Reactions – Electrolysis (Molten and Aqueous)

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April: Physics – Energy Transfers & Energy Production Comparisons

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May: Chemistry – Energy Changes – Associated Investigations **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May:** Biology Exam Preparation (Exam on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May AM)

Further to the sessions above, your child can support their progress, exam preparation and subject knowledge further by following the additional advice below:

- Attend the science department lunch drop-in sessions every:
  - Week One Thursday
  - Week Two Monday
- Use revision platforms:
  - Seneca Learning,
  - Educake
  - **BBC** Bitesize
- Access question banks to practice exam technique and application of knowledge:
  - physicsandmathstutor.com
  - Graded extended writing question booklets (handed out in class)

Thanks, and kind regards,

Mr J Ronson

Head of Science



