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Dear Parent/Carer of STUDENT FULLNAME

Maths Revision

If you were not aware, the maths department has been offering afterschool GCSE revision sessions for year 11. These have been held every Wednesday 3-4pm in the maths department.

In these sessions your child will be given a different exam paper to complete with help and support from their peers and teachers. For the next 3 school weeks we want to make the sessions more structured in preparation for Y11 practice exams.

Y11 students have practice exams scheduled for maths in week 24B, week beginning 10th March 2025. We want to make these sessions supportive and offer purposeful practice, so for the next 3 weeks we will be running 'walking talking mocks.' The aim of a walking talking mock is to help guide students through a paper, this entails both visual and audio support from the teacher. Teachers will use a visualiser to show the question on the interactive whiteboard and then proceed to offer commentary on how to start the problem, students will then be encouraged to use that support to complete the question. This is a popular technique we like to use with Y11 students to help build their exam confidence.

Over the last few years, regular attendance and completion of these papers has often led to students achieving a higher grade at the end of year 11. We, please therefore, ask for your support in ensuring your child attends each Wednesday and completes the paper each week. If your child is unable to attend on a Wednesday then a paper will be made available from their class teacher the following day. If you require any further information, then please get in touch.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards

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