

**TO THE PARENTS/CARERS OF
ALL YEAR 11 STUDENTS**

Our Ref: SKN/lha

6th October 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 11 Parent/Carers Welcome and Key Updates

Many thanks for your support and feedback over the past 5 weeks, we are proud to say that the return to the Academy for Year 11 has been a great success despite all the challenges. With very few exceptions, our students have been brilliant and have settled back into the Academy very well. As we write this letter, it is just 20 weeks before Year 11 start their GCSE exams, and we are all here to help them along every step of the next few months.

Key Updates

Academic Review Meetings

These meetings will happen on the Academy site from **Monday 12th October to Friday 23rd October**. The Parents' Evening booking system is now open for you to book an appointment at a convenient time. I would urge you to book early to secure your preferred date and time. If you would prefer a 'virtual meeting' please do contact Reception@hwa.clf.uk to arrange this.

These meetings will provide an opportunity to discuss your child's progress, the upcoming PPEs and intervention that will be on offer. To book a meeting, please click on the following link:

<https://hanhamwoods.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Steps to Success

Our annual 'Steps to Success' evening has been re-worked into a webpage on the Hanham Woods Academy site at www.hanhamwoods.academy. You will be sent a link by text to watch keynote talks from Mr Kneller and the Raising Attainment and Careers Advice team. The Steps to Success webpage is packed with information about revision, intervention and Post-16 options as well as our revision guide catalogue for all subjects. We will continue to update this resource throughout the year to help you support your child at home.

Period 7

One of the ways that we will be supporting Year 11 students is by putting on sessions at the end of the Academy day (called 'Period 7') from 3.15pm to 4.00pm. These **sessions** are **compulsory** for students who need extra support or are behind with their work, exam preparation or controlled assessment work.

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We **expect** Year 11 students, from this time of year, **to stay** in the Academy to receive additional support from their teachers **as required**. Otherwise it is voluntary but highly recommended. The period 7 timetable and sessions that your child may be required to attend will be discussed in their Academic Review meeting.

We ask for your support in ensuring that when required to attend a Period 7 session your child attends. Having access to their teachers during 'Period 7' is a fantastic opportunity for our learners.

We look forward to meeting with you.

Yours sincerely

The Raising Attainment Team

Miss A Peyton, Assistant Principal

Mrs L Harris, Associate Assistant Principal

Mrs R Tushingham, Associate Assistant Principal