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**Dear Parents and Carers** 

## **Year 11 Raising Standards Information Evening**

It was so great to see so many of you at our **Year 11 Raising Standards Information Evening** on Wednesday 11th October. I would like to share a summary of actions for you.

All parents and students that attended received a copy of our Assessment Manifest booklet. I have included a link <a href="here">here</a> for you. It is also published on our website <a href="here">here</a>. It contains the following information:

- **Mock exam timetable** Our November mock season begins on the 6th November. We expect every child to sit every exam. This gives us and more importantly you, valuable information on how students are progressing and what support they need to improve.
- Assessment manifests Outlining the content that will be assessed in the mock exams and links to revision resources. Homework continues as normal and is part of students' revision.
- Revision strategies- You will find a blank timetable that will support your child to complete their revision. There is a link to a video in the assessment manifest which I recommend you and your child watch together where you will find out how to revise effectively. By half term students will have watched this in school and have been given all the resources they need to be able to complete this independently.

If you would like to meet with us separately to discuss the assessment manifest in more detail we would absolutely welcome this, please email me on <a href="mailto:standingm@blaisehighschool.co.uk">standingm@blaisehighschool.co.uk</a> to organise this

October Holiday School and INSET day - It's worth noting that not all subjects have exams. We offer 5 BTECS - Sport, Health and Social Care, Media, Music and Drama. BTECs are assessed through the year. This means that students know how they are doing and what grade they will achieve before they sit their GCSEs, this is so valuable! Students were offered an invitation to holiday school to spend 1 day, per subject, over the half term with their BTEC teacher. Time with their teacher is essential to ensure that they get the very best possible grade in their BTEC coursework. This runs from 9am - 3pm. Year 11s who study these courses are also due in on the INSET day on 30th October to work on getting the best grade in their current BTEC work. You will receive communication regarding this next week.

Monday 23/10/23	9am-3pm	Media	
Tuesday 24/10/23	9am-3pm	Sport	
Wednesday 25/10/23	9am-3pm	Music	
Thursday 26/10/23	9am-3pm	Health and Social Care	
Friday 27/10/23	9am-3pm	Drama	
Monday 30/10/23	9am-3pm	All BTECs	



**P7** - We have seen record numbers of Year 11 in P7 each night. P7 is an additional, optional session which we run Monday to Thursday each week. This runs from 4pm - 4:45pm. There are a range of subjects on offer every day and we reward students with hot chocolate and biscuits for their attendance as well as lots of green points! The timetable is here for you:

Week 1	Monday	Maths	Geography			
	Tuesday	English	Sport	Drama	Computer Science	Religious Studies
	Wednesday	Science	Geography	Health & Social Care		
	Thursday	Engineering	History	French	Music	Graphics/ Art
Week 2	Monday	Maths	Geography			
	Tuesday	English	Sport	Drama	Computer Science	Religious Studies
	Wednesday	Science	Geography			
	Thursday	History	Music	French		

We are incredibly proud of our Year 11s already. We know that this can be a stressful year for them but with these actions and support in place, they will achieve excellent results. Together, we need to do everything we can this year to ensure that your child gets the results that they deserve next summer.

Yours sincerely,

Matt Standing

Assistant Headteacher