



HARROGATE
GRAMMAR SCHOOL
EXCELLENCE FOR ALL

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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11 Supporting Success – an updated overview of support available

We are pleased to provide an updated overview of the support available to all Year 11 students as they prepare for their final GCSE examinations.

Study Skills Support Drop Ins

- **After School:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 3.30pm to 4.30pm, G2
Subject teachers will be available to help with study skills and answer any specific questions.
- **Lunchtime:** Monday to Friday, LRC study area
These sessions will be supported by subject teachers. Sixth Form students will also be available to help answer questions from a student perspective.

Wellbeing, Reflection and Additional Resources

- **Wellbeing and Student Support**
Form Tutors and Mrs Oliver remain the first point of contact for students if they have any questions or concerns.
Students have already had the opportunity to meet with our independent Careers Adviser, Mrs Mitchell. If they wish to speak to her regarding their options beyond Year 11 she can be contacted on MitchellK@hgs.rklt.co.uk.
- **Form Time Reflection**
Students will be encouraged to reflect on the positives in their learning and encouraged to set short term goals to help their progress. These reflection sessions will also focus on wellbeing and attendance.
- **Regular Assemblies**
Assemblies will explain the different support and resources that are available to students. Assemblies will also include a focus on wellbeing and tips on how to revise, plan and exam preparation. This week, we welcome Dr Sigman to talk to Year 11 students about managing exam stress.
- **Wellbeing Mindfulness Drop In:** Wednesday Lunch
Learn more about mindfulness along with techniques to help you manage worries and stress. Students can email Mrs Lightbody (lightbodyS@hgs.rklt.co.uk) for more information.
- **Supporting Success Resources**
Students can access a library of documents to support exam preparation these are available in Showbie, accessed via their iPads.
- **Elevate Education Webinars**
Parents can access a Parent Guidebook and sign up to attend free monthly webinars provided by Elevate Education using this link: <https://www.elevatecoach.co.uk/resources>

Saturday Study

- **Saturday Study 10am to 1pm** - Saturday 24 February, 2, 9 and 16 March
An opportunity for quiet focussed study in G2 in Sixth Form. Please book a place via Arbor, within the Clubs section.

Easter Revision

- **Easter Revision Sessions** are scheduled for 25, 26 and 27 March and 4 April.
Further details including the schedule and how to book can be [found here](#).

Subject Masterclasses – English, Maths, Science and Business Studies

- **Subject Masterclasses** will continue until Friday 22 March. These sessions will be delivered via MS Teams, students will receive an invitation to their email account.
 - *English every Thursday 4pm to 4.40pm*
 - *Maths Higher every Monday 5pm to 6pm*
 - *Maths Foundation every Wednesday 5pm to 6pm*
 - *Science – Triple – Friday 23 February 5pm to 6pm*
 - *Science – Combined and Triple – Thursday 29 February 5.50pm to 6.50pm*
- **Business Studies Revision Support** – *In Person session every Friday 12.55pm to 1.25pm in A17 and A18 until the Easter break.*

Additional Intervention Support Sessions (invite only)

- Maths, Science and English additional intervention support sessions – scheduled on a Friday.
These targeted sessions will focus on specific elements of the exam to help students improve their grade.

We would like to take this opportunity to reassure you that many of these sessions are offered on a voluntary basis and are available, for students to gain additional support and utilise quiet spaces to revise.

Finally, we would like to thank you for your continued support during this important period of exam preparation. If you have any queries or require any help please contact us via HGSYear11Support@hgs.rklt.co.uk this email account will be monitored by the Senior Leadership Team.

Yours sincerely,



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