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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to you to inform you that Study Leave for all Year 11 students will commence on Monday 5th June 2023. Having reviewed staff, student and parental feedback that was gathered last year, we feel that allowing students to engage in independent revision at home, will afford a greater degree of flexibility and reduce levels of anxiety. This means that students will not attend school unless they have an exam, a booster or organised 'revision session'. This information will be shared in our 'GCSE Support Programme' which outlines all details of calendared exams and sessions. We hope that you will support your child in ensuring daily revision is undertaken in line with school hours Monday-Friday when they are not in exams.

On the day of examinations, students must attend school 15 minutes before the start of their examination unless attending a pre-exam booster. Morning exams start at 9am and 1.20pm for an afternoon exam. Students must attend exams in full school uniform and should bring appropriate equipment for each subject. If students have a morning and an afternoon exam, students should vacate the premises between the exams unless they have made other arrangements with Mrs Glover or Ms Jones. For health & safety reasons no student is to remain on site unsupervised.

Please review and discuss with your child the dates they need to attend school to ensure they do not miss an exam. There will be no opportunities for students to catch up on any exams missed due to failure to attend, and they will achieve a 0 (a U grade) for any exams they do not sit. Non attendance will incur a penalty fee which is payable by parents/carers. If your child is unwell during the examination period and they are unable to attend an examination, you must contact the examination team immediately and will need to supply a note from your GP.

If students have arrangements with teachers to come into school to complete vocational work during those lessons, or to attend extra revision sessions, they may do so but they must sign in with their teacher and sign out at reception immediately after the session they have attended.

In exceptional circumstances, if your child cannot be accommodated at home, please email Mrs Glover and complete the MS form that has been sent via Edulink . If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Glover at s.glover@cps.hants.sch.uk

Yours sincerely,

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