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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11 Revision Strategy 2022

Our Year 11 students are now at the stage of their Farlingaye career when revision, their Year 11 assessments in December and indeed the upcoming summer exams should be at the forefront of their minds.

At school we are continuing our tradition of offering a range of revision opportunities for Year 11. It is the everyday lessons which will provide the best guidance and support for our students, however I am aware that students appreciate additional sessions as well. These sessions are planned to enhance and add to the revision our students are already engaged with and the effort they are putting in during lessons. The revision strategy this year has a number of strands:

- Work in lessons. There is no substitute for the work being done with a class teacher, who knows the students well and their individual areas of strength and need; so attending lessons is the number one priority
- Revision sessions are offered beyond the classroom, currently after school
- Revision materials are available online – TEAMS etc.
- A revision day will take place in November and focus on how to revise
- A revision booklet will provide details of strategies to explore and specific subject information
- A comprehensive revision letter will be published after Easter, with details of the daily provision for students throughout the exam period

The first key date on this list are the revision days, where we will split Year 11 into 3 groups. Each group will attend Ufford Park for *one* of these days as outlined below. For many students this launches their revision period and will take place on 1st, 2nd and 3rd November 2022.

Your child will receive a letter confirming the day they have been invited to attend over the next week or so. The focus of the day is how to revise and the structure is as follows:

- The students depart for Ufford Park at 9.10
- Dr Sievewright introduces the day and the key revision strategies
- Maths session
- English session
- Science session
- Carousel of guidance and support strategies
- Depart Ufford Park 2.50pm and return to school for 3.20pm

The students will have breaks and a short lunchtime during the day so they will need to bring with them lunch and any snacks and drinks they require. There will be no opportunity to buy refreshments at Ufford Park. The students will need to remain in the allocated areas and will be supervised all day.

The students will also need to bring with them their usual school equipment including a calculator and to wear full school uniform. It is important the students understand that they will be representing Farlingaye in a facility which may have other conferences taking place, and so it is expected they will behave respectfully and with maturity.

I am aware that the revision days only cover English, Maths and Science, however the day is part of a wider revision strategy. Other subjects are promoting their sessions within school and the guidance and suggestions from the day can be applied to a variety of subjects, indeed it is this application that the core subjects will focus on. The revision booklets published later in the year will include materials for all the subjects on offer; however I feel it's important not to overload the students at this stage and a day in which 20+ subjects all had a slot would be unmanageable.

As always I have to highlight some of the risks involved in a visit. We will be travelling by coach/minibus to the venue and expect all students to wear a seatbelt, to remain seated during the journey and to act sensibly. At Ufford Park we will be using specialist conference facilities so students may encounter Ufford Park staff and members of the public, particularly in some of the open areas of the venue. The students are expected to remain in the allocated spaces and to follow the usual school rules.

As we have emergency contact details at school for year 11 students, I just need your consent to their participation in the Revision Day at Ufford Park on their specified date.

You will be able to give this permission through the link below on Microsoft Forms, by clicking the consent button. Please also indicate if you are in receipt of free school meals and require a packed lunch from school.

Please be aware that any student for whom we don't have consent will not be able to attend so if you have problems with Microsoft Forms do contact the school and we can let you have a hard copy of the consent form.

I look forward to a positive and successful start to this important period for our Year 11 students and to sharing the opportunities available.

Link to consent - <https://forms.office.com/r/Aj0Kk5RZ8q>

Best wishes

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