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Dear Parents and Carers

This term we have been listening to the views of staff, students and parents to inform the decisions we make about the school moving forward. One issue that has arisen repeatedly is our current use of a two-week timetable as many people find this confusing to follow. Therefore, I am delighted to inform you that, as of students' return to school on 7th January after the Christmas Break, we will be moving to a one-week timetable. We hope that you and your child will find this much easier to follow and will enable you to plan home study and preparation for school much more effectively and easily.

We are also delighted to inform you that, from 7th January, all Year 11 students will be able to access a Period 6 on Mondays. This is compulsory for all students as a timetabled part of their day, therefore school ends at 3.45pm. The purpose of this has been to allow us to allocate additional time, through the use of a one-week timetable, to all of their option subjects which will now increase to 3 hours per week. We are confident that this additional learning time will enable them to make even better progress and secure the very best grades! The Monday Period 6 slot will be timetabled as their weekly PE lesson, however we will, on a needs/rota basis withdraw students to give them additional intervention and booster sessions in a variety of subjects at this time.

The post-Christmas period is when the intensity of preparations for the GCSE exams really increases: we are absolutely committed to ensuring your child achieves the best possible results to propel them onto their next phase of study and towards their future career goal. Throughout the Spring and Summer Term there will be a wide range of fantastic opportunities for students to take part in, all aimed at securing a very strong set of GCSE results for every individual youngster. We look forward to seeing you in January at our Year 11 Parents' Evening where you will be able to discuss your child's progress in detail. Of course, if you would like to discuss the content of this letter with us before then please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours faithfully

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