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Dear Parent/Carer

During the last two years, Year 11 pupils have worked very hard which has ensured they are in a really good position as they move towards their final examinations. Over the coming weeks their teachers will continue to provide vital guidance and support as they approach this crucial point in their education.

In addition to the things you would expect in terms of in-school preparation, we are writing to inform you about our arrangements for Year 11 once the exams start. To support your child during this period please be aware of the following information:

- All pupils have been given copies of their examination timetables. This year the GCSE summer examinations run from Monday 15th May until Friday 23rd June 2023.
- Up until half term (Friday 26th May), we expect your child to be in school each day, either sitting an exam or attending lessons, following their normal timetable and wearing school uniform. Even if they have taken their final exam in that subject, pupils will be supervised by their teacher and can study for other subjects. Once the REAP course is complete, RE lessons will be opportunities for Supervised Private Study.
- Morning examinations start at **9am**, students should be outside the examination room by 8.45am. Afternoon exams start at **1.30pm**, students should arrive by 1.15pm. **Being late to the exam could result in your child being disqualified for that examination.**
- If your child has an exam in the **afternoon**, they may study at home for the half day before the exam e.g. if they have an exam on Tuesday afternoon they may study at home on Tuesday morning.
- From Monday 5th June pupils will be on study leave and school uniform will <u>only</u> be required for exams. However, teachers will continue to be fully available to support pupils during their timetabled lessons right up until all examinations have taken place for that subject. We would strongly advise that students continue to attend these lessons to give themselves the best possible chance of success in their examinations.

We expect **100% attendance** up until half term and feel that your child can continue to receive vital support from their teachers as they approach their examinations. Time with their teacher at this stage is still hugely important given their months away from the classroom during Key Stage 4.

Whilst the exam period is running, your child does remain on the school roll. Therefore, normal attendance procedures apply and if your child is ill then please contact the school in the normal way to explain their absence. In the case of missing exams, a doctor's note to explain to the examination board the reason for absence will be required.

Our annual Year 11 Leavers' Assembly will take place week beginning **Monday 22nd May**. Pupils will spend some time with their tutors, attend a special Assembly and are given the opportunity to take photos and sign shirts. We will allow Year 11 pupils to leave at lunchtime on the day. Please inform your child's Head of Year (Mrs Plumbley jp@range.sefton.sch.uk) if you do <u>not</u> wish your child to leave until 3.20pm.

Year 11 GCSE results day is **Thursday 24th August**, further details will be communicated to you later in the summer term. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Cottam (<u>ac@range.sefton.sch.uk</u>), our Examinations Officer if you have any questions relating to the GCSE examinations or the results day.

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to wish all our Year 11 pupils the very best of luck in their forthcoming examinations and thank you for your continued support. We are sure this will be a very successful final period in school leading to excellent results for all of our pupils sitting examinations this summer. We look forward to welcoming many of them back to Range for their sixth form education.

Yours sincerely

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