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Dear Parents/Guardians

### Upcoming Year 10 Pre-Public Examinations (PPEs) and Revision Resources

I am writing to share with you information on the upcoming PPEs and provide guidance on the available revision resources. PPEs are a key component of our students' academic journey, offering a valuable opportunity for them to familiarise themselves with the examination environment and to test their understanding of their GCSE subjects. These exams play an important role in preparing our students for the actual examinations, allowing them to identify areas for improvement and refine their exam technique.

#### PPE Exam Schedule:

The PPEs are scheduled to take place from 5 February to 9 February. A detailed timetable which includes seating, will be shared with students via the Brom-com app in the coming weeks.

#### Revision Resources:

To support students in preparing for these examinations, we have compiled a list of revision resources, which can be found below. These resources include:

- **Personal Learning Checklists (PLCs)**  
Each department has created a personal learning checklist for the Year 10 PPEs. The PLC is a detailed list of topics, which allows students to identify the areas where they feel that they have a strong level of understanding versus those topics where they are potentially weaker. We recommend that students start their revision in each subject by completing the PLC (Copies can be found on the attached document ([Here](#)) and on individual google classrooms). They should then focus their attention on the topics they do not understand, using revision resources to build up their confidence.
- **Online Textbooks and Class Notes:** Textbooks and class notes are a valuable resource for revisiting key concepts and theories, as well as developing flashcards and other revision prompts.
- **Online Learning Platforms:** Encourage your child to explore reputable online learning platforms such as SPARX math's, BBC Bitesize and Seneca Learning that offer interactive lessons, practice tests, and explanatory videos related to their subjects.
- **Revision Guides and Workbooks** can be purchased and can provide extra structure and revision activities.
- **Past Exam Papers:** Past exam papers are excellent tools for familiarising students with the exam format and style of questioning. These can be obtained from the exam board websites.
- **Google Classroom:** All subjects have a dedicated google classroom page that offers additional resources. These can be incredibly valuable for targeted revision.

## Subject Specific Recommendations:

<b>English</b>	<b>English Revision Google Classroom:</b> <a href="https://classroom.google.com/c/MTY0NTI1OTM5NzAy?cjc=na3q3qe">https://classroom.google.com/c/MTY0NTI1OTM5NzAy?cjc=na3q3qe</a>  Includes: Targeted materials, links to past papers, suggested revision planners, and detailed exam question guidance. It is key to use the CLASSWORK tab at the top to be able to find everything easily. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Skills tested by each question type. For those struggling with analysis, learning sentence starters can aid in structuring answers.</li><li>• Revision using active learning tasks (research indicates it is more effective than passive learning).</li><li>• Understand how to achieve higher grades for each question type.</li></ul>
<b>Maths</b>	Textbook <u>Kerboodle</u>  Websites: SPARX <a href="https://www.sparxmaths.uk/">https://www.sparxmaths.uk/</a> <u>Maths Genie • Learn GCSE Maths for Free</u> <u>Maths GCSE   Edexcel GCSE Mathematics (2015)   Pearson qualifications</u>
<b>Science</b>	<b>Combined (Trilogy) Science:</b>  Textbook: <a href="http://www.kerboodle.com">www.kerboodle.com</a> <u>Revision Guide Higher</u> <u>Revision Guide Foundation</u> BBC bitesize combined <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/z8r997h">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/z8r997h</a> Combined website <a href="https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/science/gcse/combined-science-trilogy-8464">https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/science/gcse/combined-science-trilogy-8464</a>  <b>Single (Triple) Sciences:</b>  <u>Biology Revision Guide</u> <u>Chemistry Revision Guide</u> <u>Physics Revision Guide</u>  <b>AQA Website for Biology, Chemistry &amp; Physics:</b>  Biology <a href="https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/science/gcse/biology-8461">https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/science/gcse/biology-8461</a> Chemistry <a href="https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/science/gcse/chemistry-8462">https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/science/gcse/chemistry-8462</a> Physics <a href="https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/science/gcse/physics-8463">https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/science/gcse/physics-8463</a>  <b>GCSE Bitesize for Biology, Chemistry and Physics:</b>  Biology <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zpgcbk7">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zpgcbk7</a> Chemistry <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/z8xtmnb">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/z8xtmnb</a> Physics <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zsc9rdm">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zsc9rdm</a>  Detailed guidance on letter published 5 December for all Sciences: <a href="https://www.maidenerleghschool.co.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=3601&amp;type=pdf">https://www.maidenerleghschool.co.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=3601&amp;type=pdf</a>

<b>Languages</b>	<p><b>French:</b></p> <p>Google Classroom for revision resources  <a href="#">BBC Bitesize French Revision (AQA)</a></p> <p><b>German:</b></p> <p>Google Classroom for revision resources  <a href="#">BBC Bitesize German Revision</a></p> <p><b>Spanish:</b></p> <p><a href="#">Spanish Seneca Learning</a>  <a href="#">BBC Bitesize Spanish</a>  Spanish revision guide - GCSE Spanish AQA Revision Guide (with Free Online Edition &amp; Audio): for the 2024 and 2025 exams (CGP AQA GCSE Spanish)</p>
<b>Geography</b>	<p><a href="#">GCSE Geography Revision Guide</a>  <a href="#">GCSE Geography AQA Revision Question Cards</a>  <a href="#">New GCSE Geography AQA Exam Practice Workbook</a></p>
<b>History</b>	<p><a href="#">My Revision Notes - Russia, 1894–1945: Tsardom and communism</a>  <a href="#">My Revision Notes - History AQA GCSE - includes Conflict &amp; Tension topic and Health (NOT ON THE PPE) topic.</a></p> <p><i>Russia topic and Conflict &amp; Tension topic: <a href="#">Textbook</a></i></p>
<b>Art</b>	<p>Schedule or work published on google classroom and on attached PLC document.</p>
<b>PE</b>	<p><a href="#">PE Revision Guide</a>  <a href="#">PE Workbook</a>  <a href="#">PE Revision Cards</a></p> <p>Everlearner – All students have access to this.</p>
<b>Economics</b>	<p>Economics past papers and revision are available on Physics and Maths Tutor: <a href="https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/past-papers/gcse-economics/ocr-component-1/">https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/past-papers/gcse-economics/ocr-component-1/</a></p>
<b>Drama</b>	<p><a href="#">GCSE Drama - AQA - BBC Bitesize</a>  <a href="#">AQA GCSE Drama: Revised Edition: Amazon.co.uk: Fox, Annie: 9781912820504: Books</a>  <a href="#">Noughts &amp; Crosses Play Guide For AQA GCSE Drama: Amazon.co.uk: Fox, Annie: 9781912820511: Books</a></p>
<b>Music</b>	<p><a href="#">Focus on Sound   Focus on Sound</a>  <a href="#">BBC Bitesize Edexcel Music</a>  <a href="#">CGP Edexcel GCSE Music revision guide</a>  <a href="#">Rhinegold Edexcel GCSE Music revision guide</a></p>

<b>Religion and Philosophy</b>	<a href="#">Revision Guide</a> <a href="#">Revision Workbook</a> <a href="#">Revision Flashcards</a>  Google Classrooms page: q26g3ik
<b>Design Technology</b>	<a href="#">Revision Guide</a>  In addition, use the KS3 Math's revision materials to prepare for the DT math's questions.
<b>Food</b>	<a href="#">GCSE Home Economics: Food and Nutrition (CCEA) - BBC Bitesize</a>  Link to GCSE textbook: <a href="http://www.illuminate.digital/aqafood/index.php?page=logout">http://www.illuminate.digital/aqafood/index.php?page=logout</a> Username = SMAIDEN3 Password= STUDENT3

If you have any questions or concerns about the upcoming PPE's or need further guidance on revision strategies, please contact the respective subject teachers or the pastoral team.

Yours Sincerely,



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