



September 10

Dear Parent

EXAMINATION INFORMATION – Year 11

Your son has now embarked on the final year of exam preparation and coursework which will culminate in a series of external exams during May and June 2011. The majority of your son's exams will be at this time, i.e. May/June 2011, but I would also draw your attention to the fact that he will be involved in sitting module exams, which count towards his final grade. There are exam seasons in November, January, March and May/June and your son could be involved in sitting exams at any or all of these times.

Changes to the exam system now mean that your son has been and will be required to do some parts of his subjects as "Controlled Assessments", which replace the coursework element of exams. These sessions are supervised and timed and your son will need to attend them all to give himself the best chance of fulfilling his potential. These sessions can take place at any time of the year, as and when the subject staff see fit.

As a consequence of the above, I would strongly urge you not to take any annual holidays during the forthcoming academic year as this would seriously damage your son's chances of achieving his best grades.

Yours faithfully

Alison Goodyear
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