

Secondary School

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Dear Year 11 Parents,

I would like to start by wishing you a very Happy New Year. I hope that you had an enjoyable holiday. Mock examinations are on the way and are going smoothly. The official results transcript will be sent home on Friday January 29th.

As we enter term 2 I am looking forward to an exciting final few months with our Year 11 students. We will focus academically on exam preparation as we lead up to the IGCSE's and in PSHE the emphasis will be on further education choices as student's make their preparations for moving onto Key Stage 5.

As mentioned in my letter at the end of last term, there will be parent-teacher meetings on February 4th. This will give you and your child an opportunity to speak to the subject teachers of their possible IB choices during the parent-teacher meeting time between 1pm – 6pm. At this time it would be good to ask the teachers about your child's suitability to the subject at IB and the recommended level that they should take in the subject (IB higher or IB standard level).

During PSHE time on the 19th and 26th of January the heads of departments will speak to the students about the content of each IB subject and give them the opportunity to finalise what choices they would like to make. Please note that there is a change of date regarding the careers fair. This will now be held on **February 19th** for students in Year 10 to 13. During the fair, students will have the opportunity to discuss and consider further their higher education choices. They will also have a PSHE session with Dr. Hawthorne on careers and further education choices. This coupled with the IB information meeting held on November 3rd should enable you and your child to hopefully make the best choice for their IB diploma subject options.

On January 27th, I will issue to your child their Provisional Statement of Entry for their IGCSE examinations in the summer. I would be very grateful if you could check that the name, date of birth and subjects are correct and inform me Ms Skoudy as soon as possible of any omissions and/or mistakes.

Thank you for taking the time to read through all this information and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about your child's progress in Key Stage 4.

Yours faithfully,

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