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Dear Parent and Carers

Pre-Public Examinations: 10th March – 21st March 2025

I am writing to inform you about the final set of Pre-Public Examinations (PPEs) which Year 11 students will be sitting in March. We have been impressed by the positive attitude, hard work and focus of the students so far this term and we are looking forward to seeing how all of this hard work will be put into practice.

These are the last set of exams that Year 11 will sit before they have their real GCSE exams in May and June. Students will receive a hard copy of the timetable today during Period 6. They will also have an electronic copy emailed to their school email address and on Edulink.

These are an incredibly important set of exams which help us to determine what sort of support each student needs in the run up to the external exams. Students need to prepare for them just like they would the final summer exams.

We want to ensure students, parents and carers are fully informed of when the assessments will take place, the content the students will be tested on and how best they can prepare themselves for the assessments. We will be holding a Year 11 Information Evening on Thursday 13th February from 5.30pm – 6.00pm. We will provide an information pack containing:

- A timetable of the PPEs.
- An assessment overview for each subject including the content that will be assessed and suggestions on how best to revise.

During the February half term we are offering students the opportunity to attend NEA/revision conferences. The timetable is attached. Students can sign up for session(s) using the link which has been added as 'homework' on Edulink. The sessions are bespoke, prior notice of students attending is appreciated so that the sessions are targeted to those students attending.

In addition, students are welcome to use the Flying Starts (8-8:30am everyday), Working Lunch (daily) and Champions Hour (4-5pm Monday-Thursday). These provide a quiet place to work independently on homework, revision or other studies.

I hope you find this information helpful and if you have any questions about the PPEs or about Year 11 please do not hesitate to contact me on raboud@barnwoodpark.co.uk.

Yours sincerely Mrs R.Aboud-Love

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