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Dear Parents/Carers,

A warm welcome back following the Christmas break. With only a few months remaining until GCSE examinations begin in early May, this term is extremely important for all Year 11 students.

Attendance: One of the most significant ways you can support your child's success in the summer examinations is by ensuring they attend school **every day** and arrive **on time**. Teachers are completing final content and delivering focused revision lessons that revisit difficult topics and address common mistakes. Missing these lessons can have a significant impact on exam preparation and outcomes.

Mock Examinations: The final Year 11 mock examinations will take place between **9th and 27th February**. Topic lists were shared before Christmas and revision should now be well underway.

You can continue to support your child by ensuring they have a quiet space to work, helping to manage access to phones and other devices during revision time, and discussing how they are revising for each subject. Mock exam reports will be sent in the week beginning **23rd March**.

Period 7 and Additional Support: Period 7 for Year 11 runs Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:15–4:15, from **6th January to 5th February**. Triple science students will have an additional session on Mondays. There will be no Period 7 during the mock exam period.

In the second part of the term, Period 7 will be used to deliver '**Walking, Talking Mocks**', starting on 10th March. These are guided practice exams, where teachers talk students through questions and exam techniques to help them prepare for their GCSEs.

Health and Wellbeing: The final months of Year 11 can be challenging. Nothing is more important than the health and wellbeing of our students. Please encourage your child to maintain good sleep routines and regular meals. Revision is most effective when completed little and often, with regular breaks. If you have any concerns about your child, please do not hesitate to contact us so we can work together to support them.

We are extremely proud of this year group. They are respectful, hardworking, resilient and kind young people, and we wish them every success in their final examinations.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at officeadmin@swanlea.co.uk.

Yours faithfully,

Ms Roberts
Assistant Headteacher

