



KIM/NL

9th October 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

As part of our ongoing efforts to support Year 11 students during their GCSE year, I will be working with them in the following ways:

Exam preparation sessions

From the week commencing **Monday 15th October** I will be taking groups of Year 11 students out of tutor time registration to focus on exam preparation, revision skills etc. My sessions will focus on topics such as memory strategies, interleaving, revision timetables, anxiety management and how to make revision resources. I will have a different house each morning in the Library and they will need to register with their tutor beforehand. Please remind your child of the morning they need to attend.

Monday – Rodney

Tuesday – Bilbie

Wednesday – Hauteville

Thursday – Moreton

After school club

I will be running after school sessions specifically for Year 11 students. The purpose of these sessions is to provide a quiet space for students to work and to support them in completing homework, coursework and revision. The sessions will be supervised by myself with the support of Mrs Marmion. They will run every Wednesday from 3.30pm until 5pm and will start on **Wednesday 17th October** in the Library. Please be aware that if your child normally gets a bus home they will have to make alternative arrangements.

A register will be taken at the beginning of each session so we know who is present. At this moment in time, the study club is voluntary and open to any Year 11 student who would like to attend. However, we may invite specific students at a later date if we feel they could use some extra support.

Year 11 area on website

To allow easier access for students and parents/carers to access materials, there is an area on the Chew Valley School website specifically for Year 11s. It is labelled 'Year 11 Information' under the Students tab. Here you will find links to exam specifications, exam assessment materials and the exam preparation materials I will be using in my morning sessions.

If you have any questions about the exam preparation sessions or the after school club, please do not hesitate to contact me on the school's number, or via my email address, kmartin@chewvalleyschool.co.uk.

Yours sincerely

Mrs K Martin

Achievement Co-ordinator



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10th October	Introduction to sixth form assembly
Mid-October	Monitoring report 1
23rd October	Careers fair in school
From Term 2	Wider World visitors – Wednesdays 1.25pm-2.05pm in sixth form block
8th November	Year 10 and Year 11 parents' information evening
Early November	Individual interview with senior team
15th November	Chew Valley Sixth Form open evening
10th December	Mocks start
9th January	Year 11 photo
Mid-January	Monitoring report 2 and mock results
7th February	Parents' evening
February/March	Interviews with Senior Team, Head of House or tutors and parents
Week beginning 1st April	Additional English and Maths mocks
Easter holidays	Study camp – 3 days
Week beginning 13th May	Some exams would have started
24th May	Leaving day before official study leave starts
22nd August	Results day

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Here is a suggested checklist of activities that can be carried out during study time each evening. Start at the top and work your way down.

- Homework - specific tasks set by your teachers
- Continuing with coursework or assessment tasks that have been set previously
- Re-capping - look at your timetable, is there any work you did today in a lesson that you need to do more on, complete, re-draft or understand better by reading it over again or completing more examples?
- Preparation - look at tomorrow's timetable. Do you need to re-read work to help you get ready for tomorrow? Have you forgotten stuff from last week – if so look at it now. Check your homework is ready for handing in tomorrow - could you improve it?
- Extra research - the school planner has recommended websites that you could visit to help you really get ahead and boost your grades
- Hegarty Maths/SAM learning/Bitesize/past papers etc.
- Tidy and organise - sort out your workspace, tidy out your bag or pencil case.
- Make sure you have got the school equipment you need.
- Pack your bag so it's ready for the morning. Put out your uniform ready - tonight!
- 'Read around' - good students do this. Read extra about work that interests you or that you need to know more about.
- Courses-research jobs and courses, know what qualifications you need to follow your dreams www.careerpilot.org.uk
- Watch TV –Yes - but choose an excellent documentary about something you are doing currently at school!

