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PiXL Wave Examinations & Support for Year 11 Students

Dear Year 11 Students and their Parents/Carers,

I am writing to confirm with you that, as mentioned at the Parent Information Evening on Tuesday 12th September 2017, we will be running PiXL Wave examinations for English Language and Mathematics, outside of the normal Mock Examination Window.

Taking advantage of these PiXL Wave Examinations will provide you and your English and Maths teachers with a huge range of insight into your strengths and areas for development ahead of the actual exams. In addition, the exams will be a valuable tool which will support and aid the decision-making regarding the tiered entry (i.e. either Foundation or Higher papers) in Mathematics.

Please approach these examinations by simply preparing yourself to do your best and showing off what you are capable of. This preparation will give the best and most accurate picture of where you are up to in your learning and where efforts should be focussed by you and your teachers.

The examinations will take place at the following times:

- Monday 13th November – Periods 1 & 2 – English Language Paper 1
- Tuesday 14th November – Periods 3 & 4 – Maths Paper 1
- Thursday 16th November – Periods 1 & 2 – English Language Paper 2
- Friday 17th November – Periods 1 & 2 – Maths Paper 2
- Monday 20th November – Periods 3 & 4 – Maths Paper 3

Our English and Mathematics departments will be supporting you to prepare for these and extend an open invite to “Getting Nerdy in Thirty” sessions for English on Mondays and Tuesdays (15:30-16:00) and “GCSE Mathematics Clinic” on Wednesdays (15:30-16:30).

Our normal Mock Examinations Window will take place between Monday 4th to Friday 15th December and will include English Literature examinations (not English Language and Mathematics as they will already have been done). We do intend to repeat the PiXL Wave Examinations in February/March of 2018 so that we have a completely clear picture for tier entry decisions and final preparation. Later in the year, further details will follow regarding these.

We look forward to taking advantage of this opportunity with you.

Yours faithfully,

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