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Dear Parent/Carer and Student

Year 10 Pre-Public Examinations

I am writing to update you on the next steps in preparing your child for their GCSE exams in Year 11.

In order to support your child in achieving their best during their GCSE exams in Year 11 it is important that we know how your child is performing.

After half term, there will be a series of exams (PPEs) designed to inform us, and yourselves, of any gaps in knowledge that need to be improved before the exams in Year 11.

We can then use these strengths and weaknesses to tailor our curriculums to ensure that your child is fully prepared for the actual exams.

The dates for these PPEs are	as follows:
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Date:	Day:	Exam:	AM/PM:
17 June	Monday	English Literature	AM
17 June	Monday	Geography	PM
18 June	Tuesday	Maths	AM
18 June	Tuesday	History	PM
19 June	Wednesday	Biology (Combined and Separate)	AM
19 June	Wednesday	DT	PM
19 June	Wednesday	Business	PM
20 June	Thursday	French Listening	AM
21 June	Friday	Maths	AM
21 June	Friday	Geography 1	PM
24 June	Monday	Chemistry	PM
26 June	Wednesday	French Reading	AM
26 June	Wednesday	ICT	AM
26 June	Wednesday	Performing Arts	AM
26 June	Wednesday	Business 2	PM
27 June	Thursday	Maths	AM
27 June	Thursday	PE	PM
27 June	Thursday	Media	PM
28 June	Friday	Physics	PM
1 July	Monday	English	AM
5 July	Friday	Art	All Day
5 July	Friday	Textiles	All Day

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At Stafford Manor High School, we pride ourselves in the work we do to ensure that your child is prepared for their exams and will be preparing them in lessons. However, success is not just from work done in the classroom and your support in helping to prepare your child would be greatly appreciated.

To help you prepare your child fully for these PPE exams, you will find a brochure called "*How to reach your full potential*" enclosed with this letter.

I would like to draw your attention to **Section 3**, which provides information on how to revise for the exams, as well as a revision timetable planner.

There are areas for your child to plan their revision for each week (including an expanded one for half term).

To plan, they should:

- Fill in the date and look at the exam timetable (section 1).
- Plan in the subjects they want to revise on each day, as well as the sub-areas they want to focus on. For example, they may want to do Chemistry on Monday between 4pm and 5pm, and focus on types of substance.
- Ensure they plan in breaks to go outside / watch TV, etc...
- Try to break up their revision so that they aren't studying the same subject for too long. Switching between subjects regularly is known to improve long term retention of knowledge.

To improve their grade, it is expected that at least 1 hour of independent work/homework is carried out every night, as well as 15 hours of revision throughout the holiday. would be useful to help your child plan a mixture of bronze, silver and gold days made up of the following hours per day:

- Bronze days: 2 hours
- Silver days: 3 hours
- **Gold Days**: 4 hours

Yours sincerely

Mr A Barnes Extended Leadership



Year 10 June PPE Exam Timetable

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