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Dear Parent/Carer

As we approach the start of second round of Year 11 mock examinations, we wanted to share with you some important information on what we are doing to support Year 11 pupils in the lead up to examinations.

Mock examinations

The mock examinations window for Year 11 pupils will begin on Monday 19th February and finish on Friday 8th March. The timetable can be found on the school website here:

<https://smestowacademy.co.uk/exams/>. Pupils will receive their mock examination results during an assembly on Friday 22nd March. These mock examination results, along with their academic report, will be sent home to you via the WeDuc app the same day.

The Final Countdown

To support pupils with their revision, they will be issued with 'The Final Countdown' each week. Teaching staff have identified which topics they recommend our Year 11 pupils should be focusing their revision on at home each week for each subject. This will help Year 11 learners to change their revision into manageable tasks leading up to the Summer exam series. Pupils will be sent home with a hardcopy on a Monday and this will also be available for you to see on the school website each week via the following link <https://bit.ly/3UwuVa3>

Year 11 Assemblies

Our bespoke assembly rota has now begun for Year 11 pupils and will continue on the lead up to the summer examination season. Year 11 pupils will have assemblies each week, delivered by our Senior Leadership Team and Directors for Learning. These assemblies include sharing useful tips on the most effective strategies to revise as well as subject specific examination preparation sessions in Maths, English and Science. These sessions will run on Mondays and Fridays during morning registration (08:30am-09:10am).

Help your Child Revise

With the second round of Year 11 mock exams just around the corner, we understand that you may want further information and guidance on how best to support your child at such a crucial time in their studies. With this in mind, we would like to invite all parents/carers of Year 11 pupils to our 'Help your Child Revise' morning that will take place in school on Thursday, 8th February at 9:00am. If this time is unsuitable, we can also offer a meeting over TEAMS on the same date, at 4:00pm. Please click on the link below and complete the Microsoft form to indicate your preference: <https://forms.office.com/e/4Wazw4hba7>. The aim of this session is to share top revision tips, and guidance to ensure your child is prepared for their mocks in February, the summer exam series and beyond.



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We are all really pleased with the good attitude the vast majority of our Year 11 learners are displaying at the moment, as we continue to push towards getting the best results we can for them this Summer. As we all know 'Success achieved together'.

Yours faithfully



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