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TO PARENTS/CARERS OF ALL YEAR 11 PUPILS

Dear Parent/Carer and Year 11 Pupils



In Class Assessments

Following my initial letter dated the 17 March 2021 I wanted to write to you with the most up to date information available with regards to 'next steps' for our class of 2021, our current Year 11 pupils. Can I firstly, however, thank you for your attendance last night at parents/carer evening. Staff really enjoyed the opportunity to catch up with so many of you and talk about the learning and progress of your child in their subject; we hope you found it useful and enjoyable too.

ICA timetable (In Class Assessments) Wednesday 21.04.21- Wednesday 19.05.21

Please find attached the ICA timetable, please take some time to note times and dates of assessments to support revision and preparation at home. Some assessments will be at different time depending on which class your child is in so please read it carefully. The assessments are spread out across the four weeks to allow pupils to concentrate on certain subjects at certain times.

Year 11 section of our school website www.camshill.com

We have devoted a specific page of the website to Year 11 to ensure that you can quickly access all relevant and up-to-date information. You will find a link to the ICA timetable, the most up to date information on TAGs, a list of topics being covered in ICAs by each subject and a variety of other links to support you as a family. This section of the website is updated regularly so if the link you are looking for is not there, it will be very soon.

https://www.camshill.com/information/cams-revise/

Reminder; what is a TAG?

As you are aware from our previous letter, the 2021 Summer Exams Series has been cancelled. These exams have been replaced by TAGs with all schools using the best available evidence that they have gathered/will gather for each and every pupil to show their ability. To determine the TAG, your child's teachers, the departments they work in and the Senior Leadership Team will look at a range of evidence (historic and current) such as mock exams, in class assessments and controlled assessments (in relevant subjects).

Most recent guidance from JCQ re TAGs

Please follow the link below to the most recent guidance from JCQ for parents and pupils. This guidance was issued late on Friday 26 March 2021 alongside further guidance for schools in supporting the TAGs process.

 $\underline{\text{https://www.jcq.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/JCQ-Guidance-for-Students-and-Parents-on-Summer-2021.pdf}$

Other Key Dates

The last full day that all Year 11 pupils are expected to be in school is Friday 28 May 2021. However, this is **NOT** their leaving date. Pupils may be required to return to school after the May half term to submit further evidence for their TAGs, have a discussion with their subject teacher(s) or to provide clarification on assessment evidence or work completed. Final assessment evidence is required to be submitted by the school to all exam boards by 18 June 2021. We will confirm any end of year celebrations that we are able to facilitate to mark the end of their time at Cams Hill School soonest. Any such event will be after 21 June 2021 and is completely dependent on Government Guidance with regards to the 'roadmap' out of lockdown.

Class of 2021 Results Day

The Government have confirmed that GCSE results will be issued on **Thursday 12 August 2021**. A more detailed plan for this day will be communicated at a later date. We are anticipating that pupils will be invited on to school site to collect their results although this is dependent on latest Government guidance.

I will of course continue to inform you of any developments as they happen over the next few weeks. Thank you for your continued support and patience.

Yours sincerely

Mrs G Harrison-Jones Headteacher