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Dear Parent

The Year 10 students will soon be required to sit a formal set of pre public examinations over a two week period. These will commence on 21 June 2021 and will be used to form the first predicted grade, which will be issued to students.

Attached to this letter is the outline timetable for examinations that will take place in the gymnasium under formal exam conditions. Any students entitled to access arrangements will be catered for with the necessary adjustments, whilst students requiring extra time, readers, and scribes will be accommodated separately to ensure they are not impacted by others.

Please can I ask that you reiterate the importance of these examinations to your child. Not only will they be used to inform staff for planning interventions moving forward, but should there be a need (due to Covid 19 disruptions) for Centre Assessed Grades (CAGs) in 2022, these exams will be used as part of the evidence to justify the grades awarded.

It is recommended that students make use of the revision materials they have available to them, such as revision guides, GCSE Pod, Heggarty Mathematics and their exercise books. I encourage parents to take an active role in this revision and suggest that a revision timetable is planned with students to allocate appropriate amounts of time to each subject.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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