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Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Year 11 Assessment Week: English and Maths**

I hope you and your family are well and keeping safe in these uncertain times.

I am writing to provide you with information regarding some changes to the distance learning timetable for our Year 11 learners on **the W/C 8<sup>th</sup> February** to enable some key assessments to take place in **English and Maths**.

Please see below an amended version of the timetable which will also be adjusted on our school website at the end of the day:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday Option A	Thursday	Friday Option B
Period 1 (9am-10am)	Science	English	Art, Business Studies, Child Development, DT, French, Geography, History, Spanish and 3D Design Drama and Engineering	Maths	DT, French, Hospitality and Catering, History, 3D Design and Separate Science Enterprise and Marketing and Religious Studies
Break (10am-10.15am)					
Period 2 (10.15am-11.15am)	Maths	Maths Assessment	Science	Option C Art, Dance, Drama, German, Health and Social Care, Spanish, Sport Hospitality and Catering and Separate Science Geography and Music	English Assessment
Period 3 (11.15am-12.15pm)	Option A Child Development, Geography, Drama and Engineering History, French, Spanish, Business Studies, DT, Art and 3D Design		English	Science	
Lunch (12.15pm-12.45pm)					
Period 4 (12.45pm-1.45pm)	Option B Hospitality and Catering, Religious Studies, 3D Design and Separate Science History, French, DT and Enterprise and Marketing	Science	Option C Art, Dance, German, Geography, Health and Social Care, Spanish, Sport and Separate Science Music, Drama and Hospitality and Catering	English	Science
Period 5 (1.45pm-2.45pm)	English	Option B DT, French, History, Religious Studies, 3D Design and Separate Science Enterprise and Marketing and Hospitality and Catering	Maths	Option A Art, Child Development, Drama, DT, Engineering, French, History, Spanish and 3D Design Geography and Business Studies	PE

Below is an overview of these changes:

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February:** Periods 2 and 3 will be combined to enable learners to complete an assessment in Maths. Learners should log on to the 'live lesson' that will be scheduled during this time. Once logged on learners will receive further instructions from a member of the Maths team regarding the assessment. The assessment in Maths will take place on the **Dr Frost platform**. All learners will have received an email in their school accounts from Dr Frost over the last couple of days and will need to click on the activation link to create

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their log in details and set a personalised password. It is important that learners activate their Dr Frost accounts in preparation for the assessment on Tuesday.

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February:** Period 2 and 3 will be combined to enable learners to complete an assessment in English. Learners should log on to the 'live lesson' that will be scheduled during this time where they will receive further instructions from a member of the English team. The English assessment will take place using Microsoft forms.

On **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February** the pre-recorded lesson for English will include useful preparation material for the assessment alongside some 'top tips' to support learners to perform to the best of their ability. It is therefore essential that this lesson is completed prior to the session on Friday.

These assessments will be incredibly important in terms of supporting the school to calculate GCSE grades for learners in English and Maths. We would therefore welcome your support as parents/carers to ensure that all learners are encouraged to log on and participate in the assessments in both English and Maths so that this vital evidence and data can be collected.

Thank you in advance for your support and cooperation.

Yours faithfully

**Ms N Lord**

**Vice Principal – Raising Standards**



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