



Ebbw Fawr Learning Community

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Dear Parent/Carer

As you will be aware the GCSE examinations are fast approaching and Year 11 students are fully engaged in the final preparations to ensure they fulfil their full potential. The GCSE examinations formally begin on Tuesday 9 May 2017 and your child has been provided with an individual examination timetable.

It is our intention to keep students in school as long as possible. This is in keeping with the national trend to shorten study leave and to maximise learning time in school. Accordingly, there will be no study leave for students and Year 11 will remain in school until their last exam, until then they will attend timetabled lessons or follow a bespoke revision timetable.

Students are to arrive at school at the normal time and will remain in school all day as normal. Year 11 will be expected to be in full school uniform whenever they are in school during the examination period whether for examinations or revision sessions.

The next few weeks are critically important to your child's future success and this approach to study leave will provide students with a tremendous opportunity to work under the guidance of and to have access to support of teaching staff right up to their GCSE examinations. In order to make this programme a success, it is imperative that we work together to ensure that students are attending school and thereby taking the opportunities for intervention and high quality revision, and that examination success is fully supported.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and to wish students the very best of luck in the forthcoming GCSE examinations.

Yours faithfully

Mrs C Jones
Year 11 Leader of Learning

