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Dear

The clocks have gone back, evenings are getting darker – but there are a lot of positive things for Year 11s to look forward to this half term.

There are **130** academy days until the first exam in the summer – hopefully these will help support your son/daughter.

Curriculum information for Year 11

You will have received an email with details of what Year 11s are studying this half term. This will aid you in knowledge of what is being studied, and how you can support your son/daughter in their revision.

Period 6 sessions – change of days

Period 6 sessions continue to be very well attended. However, to accommodate additional subjects we have had to change the days from Tuesday and Thursday to Tuesday and Wednesday. This is from week commencing the 6th November. We started this initiative to ensure that students have the very best guidance and support in their final year – we are proud of their continued commitment to it!

Revision advice and GCSE Pod

On our website is a helpful link to Revision advice for parents [Ormiston Sudbury Academy – Revision advice for parents](#) Even if students don't have Independent Study, now is the time to start revising! In addition, all Year 11 students have a login for GCSE Pod – an online revision and testing tool that covers all GCSE content. More details can be found here [Parent Resources – GCSEPod](#)

Mock exams

These will run in the week commencing the 12th November. It is a formal examination procedure and will provide us with the information that is needed to teach the students in the final few months. It will also be able to be used for college interviews and Projected grades. Please make sure that your son/daughter has all the equipment needed for these exams.

Careers

The OSA Careers newsletter contains valuable information on Post-16 information, and careers opportunities for our students <https://padlet.com/hboreham/osa-career-newsletter-87bzs77uxzdfbsqv>

Past Paper Library

The LRC now has a bank of Past Papers for all the exams that students are studying for. These are available for students to take (and complete!) and bring back to subject staff for feedback. This is just 1 of the 30+ initiatives that Year 11 students will have access to.

And Finally...Tuition – watch this space....

Each year we are asked about additional tuition. We have been working with MyTutor for several years on in-academy tuition. Now, we are looking as bringing this service to parents at a reduced cost.... more details soon.... Watch this space!

Yours sincerely

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Mr D Howkins – Vice Principal

Mrs R Moulton-Day – Head of Year 11

