

10 November 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

We are fast approaching the end of our first learning cycle of the year. This will culminate in a two-week assessment period (29th November to 10th December 2021) where students will be completing a number of different assessments to check their knowledge and understanding of the topics studied in class. It is important that students prepare thoroughly for these assessments and we will be going through key information about the assessments and how to revise in both assembly and tutor time.

For those students in Year 7-10 these assessments will take place in the classroom during their normal timetabled lessons. Students should check on Class Charts to see when assessments will take place and what they are being tested on. Teachers will be going through this with them in class and making sure they know what to expect. Any questions regarding the upcoming assessments should be directed initially to the class teacher or the head of faculty. All email addresses can be found on the school website via:
<https://www.teignmouthsecondary.co.uk/general-information/staff-list/>

For those students in Year 11 assessments (Pre Public Exams) will take place in the exam halls and students will follow a bespoke timetable. These will be issued individually to students so that they can check the times and dates of all assessments.

For any student that is in receipt of the Pupil Premium we are offering to provide a free revision kit of materials (highlighters, post its, revision cards etc) to support their independent learning at home. If your child would benefit from this and you would like to receive one please register by completing the online Google Form here
<https://forms.gle/eqTTqRHFLnHatNcJA> and we will get this to them. Please could you complete the form by **Monday 15th November 2021** so that we have time to organise the materials and they can start revising straight away.

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Active revision and repetition are, so often, the keys to success so do encourage your child to take every opportunity over the coming weeks to prepare for these assessments and seek help when they need it. All subjects are running a weekly home learning drop in and students are welcome to come along to these with questions about their assessment. A reminder of the timetable can be found here: <https://www.teignmouthsecondary.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Drop-In-Schedule.jpg>

As ever, a little bit of revision each night can be incredibly helpful. I have attached a few simple tips for parents that you may find useful which are taken from the Times Education Supplement. Many of our students talk about how their parents help and get involved with their revision. Between us we can make sure that they are confident to tackle their exams and achieve the best possible grades. The grades from these assessments will be used to inform the reports that will be sent home to you in early January so that you can see how your child is currently performing.

If you have any further questions about the learning cycles, assessments or reports please contact myself Samantha.atkinson@teignmouthschool.co.uk or Phil Humphrey (Assistant Head, Assessment and Reports) philumphrey@teignmouthschool.co.uk.

Best Regards,



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