

Subject: Year 11 – Key changes, Revision resources, Interventions, Key Dates and Rewards

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we have all now settled into the Spring Term, we want to take this opportunity to share some important information and changes we have implemented for Year 11, including Tutor Time, revision resources and interventions.

As we are all aware, this is a crucial term for Year 11; with only **14 weeks until the start of the GCSE exams**. We know how quick these weeks fly by, and so we are committed to supporting every student to achieve their best. With this in mind, we have now made a few changes for Year 11.

Firstly, their PM tutor time is now being taught as a lesson. At the start of the year, we focused on getting organised for revision and reminding students of the different ways to revise. This will progress this week to subject specific revision focusing on the Core subjects and exam language decoding. To make sure we have the expertise needed to make these lessons as accurate as possible, the second change we have made is adding Mrs Griffiths (Head of English) to our tutor team in Year 11.

Another change this week, is the start of our Core Intervention groups, where identified students will be having extra support from the Head of Maths. English and Science during their usually timetabled Core PE and PSHE lessons. These groups will change on a regular basis, allowing us to support as many students as possible.

Separate to our intervention, staff have been collating useful revision resources, overseen by Mrs Lewis, Assistant Head Teacher in charge of Teaching and Learning. These subject specific “Personal Learning Checklists”, “Knowledge Organisers” and “Alternative Revision Website” documents are available in the Year 11 section of our Curriculum tab on the school website. All students will be given hard copies of these checklists to support their revision at home, they will also be available via Classcharts. We politely ask you to encourage your child to be completing regular, sustained revision, a good starting point would be approximately an hour each day.

Finally, to coordinate the year group and oversee them more coherently, Year 11 now have a Head of Year, rather than Head of House. If you have any queries or concerns regarding Year 11, please do not hesitate to get in touch at z.turner@ludlowschool.com

Attendance – Important information

In a recent Year 11 assembly, we shared the following information with students: Last year 2024-2025, only 64% of students with attendance below 95% achieved a 4 or higher in English ... vs 80% of those with attendance of 95%+. This data shows how vital good attendance in Year 11 is, and we look for your support in making this a priority for your child this year.

Please also note that the **Prom, Leavers' Day, and the Easter Rewards Trip** are **invitation-only events**. The eligibility criteria are:

- **95% attendance and above for Spring and Summer Term**
- **No suspensions during the Spring and Summer Term**

Any final decisions will be made by Mr Stoppard.

Year 11 Key Dates for the Spring Term

- **26th January** – Year 11 GCSE Poetry Live Trip, Symphony Hall
- **27th January** – Wolverhampton Art Gallery visit.
- **13th February** – Personalised timetables for March Mocks
- **5th March** – Year 11 Data Published to Parents
- **9th March – 20th March** – Year 11 Mock Examinations
- **18th March** – Year 11 Drama Trip

Those of you with children studying subjects that contain NEA elements will also have been sent messages by the lead teacher containing important dates for completion.

Thank you for your continued support during this important stage of your child's education.

Warm regards,



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