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Dear Parent/Carer

Since returning in September, students have shown great professionalism and dedication to their studies. This is evident in their mock results. I want to give specific praise to their attendance and conduct during our afterschool revision programme which is well under way.

With this being the final months before their GCSE exams we need to be mindful of the opportunities available to be successful but also the pressures that come with it. We want all our students to be successful in their subjects. This will only happen through hard work both in school and at home, listening to their teachers, arriving on time and being fully prepared for school every single day.

I am pleased to inform you that your child's Mock Exams school report is now ready for you to access. You can do this by logging onto Login: GO 4 Parents and Guardians (go4schools.com).

Please do take the time to discuss each school report with your child. Reports are made available for you regularly to ensure that you are kept informed as to your child's progress.

Revision classes

I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents/carers that revision takes place this term after school on the following days for the core subjects:

Tuesday - Maths
 Wednesday - English
 Thursday - Science
 3.30- 4.20pm
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Other subjects run sessions before school, at lunchtime and after school on a Monday and Friday. Please do encourage your child to attend these sessions. Evidence from last year showed that good attendance led to grade increases for many. We have issued all students with 'Academic Passports' to track student attendance to all extra revision sessions which staff sign to confirm attendance. They will also be able to plan their independent revision at home. Please check and counter sign your Son's/Daughters passport to ensure attendance to these sessions. There is a reward system in place to encourage students to participate in a greater number of sessions.

Resources

Your child has a variety of revision resources that they can access: Tassomai for Science, Seneca for most subjects and Sparx Maths to name but a few. Details of revision resources, as well as revision techniques, are available on our school website.

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If you have any questions regarding either your child's report or their learning, you can read our **frequently asked questions** regarding reports or the information about **learner and homework profiles**, found on the Gilberd School website in the Parent section and **Parent FAQ**. If the frequently asked questions are unable to answer your query then please contact the relevant teacher, your child's form tutor or myself.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

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