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Dear Parents/Carers

WEEKLY UPDATE

Thank you to the Y11's and parents who attended the 'Supporting your son through GCSEs' session on Wednesday of this week. The session outlined strategies to help students revise for their exams and how to deal with exam pressure as well as stress. We hope that parents found this session useful and in turn will help you, help your son, through his exams. If you would like these resources sent to you via email please contact admin@kemnal-tkat.org.

To further support Y11's, teachers will be running May Half term revision sessions. Y11's have received this letter in Form Time this week, but it is also attached for your reference. Please encourage your son to attend and indicate which session he will be attending. The reply slips do need to be returned to the College at your earliest convenience to ensure capacity and staff cover.

From Monday 16 May, Y11's will have a revision timetable that will prioritise lessons in order of exams. Students will now follow this timetable and not their current timetable. We encourage all students to attend the revision sessions for the subjects they are sitting in exams for. We have also provided a quiet study room so that students can use this facility if they wish. Students who still have BTEC work to complete and submit, must come into school when they do not have an exam or revision session. They will work with their subject teacher in order to meet the requirements of their coursework and submit their work to the exam board. Please see attached the revision timetable that Y11s will be following from Monday 16 May. Any questions please contact Ms Dermachi or Ms Cornish.

To ensure students are ready for learning promptly we will be introducing a second bell after they finish their lessons. This bell will ring 3 minutes after the first, to give students plenty of time to get to their next lesson. Any student arriving late to lessons or found in corridors, without permission, will receive a sanction. This measure has been implemented to ensure that students do not miss out on valuable learning time.

Students will be asked to remove any coats or jackets before they enter the school building and asked to wear their blazers. They may take these off in lessons in they wish. Trainers must only be worn if the student has a medical note. We have a stock of blazers and shoes that your child can borrow throughout the day and also a school uniform shop that sells second hand clothing. We appreciate your help in supporting our high standards at Kemnal.

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As you already know, reading is a key priority at Kemnal as we know that reading helps improve learning and understanding across all subjects and topics. Your child has access to SORA which is our online library where your child can take out thousands of books electronically. They all have had log in details but please let us know if they would like us to resend them. You will receive a reading age for your child on their next school report, this determines what age level your child's reading is. We have a dedicated reading strategy in place to ensure all students reach the chronological age from Y7 to Y11.

Please encourage your child to read stories, news articles and other non-fiction texts at home. 20 minutes of reading a day will improve their reading skills rapidly. If you have any questions about reading please contact Mr McCalla jermaine.mccalla@kemnal-tkat.org.

We take this opportunity in wishing our Y11's the best of luck for the start of their GCSE's next week. All their hard work, revision and dedication should hopefully pay off.

Have a pleasant weekend, enjoy the sunshine and as always, thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

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