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Dear Parents

Y11 Key Revision Techniques for English

I am writing to inform you of the key revision strategies in English that your child should be using in order to attain or exceed their target grade at GCSE.

Y11 English Clinic

Year 11 English clinic is currently running **every Monday**. It is an opportunity for your child to practice exam questions and revise key skills for both the literature and language exams whilst also having English teachers on hand to assist and mark the work that your child completes.

Please could you reiterate to your child the importance of attending clinic and support us in ensuring your child attends as frequently as possible. **It has been proven in the past few years that students who attend clinic regularly are far more likely to achieve or exceed their target grade at GCSE.**

Re-reading Literature set texts

Your child studies 4 literature texts in total for their GCSE: a Shakespeare play; modern novel; 19th century novel and the Poetry Anthology. All of our students are studying Macbeth as their Shakespeare play and Golding's 'Lord of the Flies' as their modern text. Your child should also know which 19th century text they are studying, either: Stevenson's 'Jekyll and Hyde'; Dickens' 'A Christmas Carol' or Bronte's 'Jane Eyre'. It is essential that your child has re-read their set texts over this year if they have not already done so to ensure they are confident with the main plot, themes and characters for each. This will prove invaluable for their Literature GCSE exams.

Revision Guides

A full range of literature and language GCSE revision guides are available on the Scopay website for Henry Beaufort to support your child with the revision of their key GCSE texts. The literature guides will be available at £2.75 a guide and are available for all four set texts as mentioned above. The language guides are priced at £1. Please note that if your child is in receipt of free school meals, up to a 50% reduction will be made.

I would highly recommend purchasing these revision guides as an effective way to support your child's revision over the coming months.

Additional Revision Websites

Please find attached to this parent mail a list of other key websites that your child can use to supplement their revision for both English literature and language.

Lastly, at the bottom of this email, I have listed the key mock dates and GCSE exams for you to be aware of.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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Miss Gist

Academic Leader of English

English Mock Dates

- English Language Paper 1: Monday 13th November AM (Sports Hall)
- English Literature Paper 2 (Modern text/poetry): Friday 17th November AM (Sports Hall)
- English Language Paper 2: Between Monday 5th Feb- Friday 9thFeb **Date TBC** (Sports Hall)
- English Literature Paper 1 (Shakespeare/ 19th Century text): Between Monday 5th Feb- Friday 9thFeb **Date TBC** (Sports Hall)

English GCSE Dates

- English Literature Paper 1: Tuesday 22nd May AM
- English Literature Paper 2: Friday 25th May AM
- English Language Paper 1: Tuesday 5th June AM
- English Language Paper 2: Friday 8th June AM