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Dear Parents and Carers of our Year 11 Students

Re: Year 11 information and revision evening and the year ahead

After my recent email to touch base, I wanted to formally write to you all, to update you with our plans for the year ahead for our Year 11 students. We have a very exciting day/night coming up for both students and parents. On **Thursday 17th October**, the Year 11's will have a 'drop down' afternoon, where lessons will be collapsed, and students will be having sessions in the hall. The plan for the day is as follows:

P4 12:30-13:30 – All students off timetable, session to be delivered by myself and Heads of Faculties around post 16 application advice, careers advice and how to be an active learner in lessons.

Lunch as normal – 13:30 – 14:00

P5 14:00 – 15:00 'Study sensei' session run by global company 'Elevate'. This will be an interactive session on all things revision and studying, giving students the keys to success for their exams.

We would then like to invite parents in from **5:30 – 7:00pm**, where Elevate will lead a session for parents on how best to support your child/children this year. This will be around matters such as: revision, time management, prioritising, exam technique and more. We will also have Heads of Faculties doing short presentations on what to expect, and what the essential points for English, Maths and Science are.
Please complete the Microsoft form in the link below to confirm your attendance for the evening session. Please indicate your child's name, and how many will be attending. Students are encouraged to attend the evening session as well.

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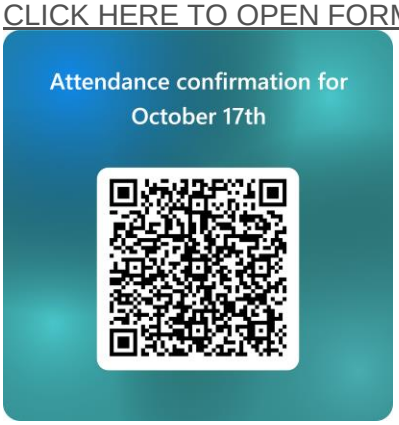

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Below is an outline of some of the other interventions that are being put in place for the year ahead,

- Mini progress evening (targeted students)
- Settling in reviews (targeted students to be assigned an SLT mentor)
- Elevate 'study sensei' session for students
- Elevate study support session for parents
- Catch up sessions for students behind in coursework to be removed from PE lessons.
- My Tutor programme for Maths (coming soon)
- Period 6 lessons for all subjects starting after October half term
- Walking talking mocks
- Revision materials/equipment provided (please ask if you need some)
- Free revision guides in certain subjects
- CV writing work shops
- College/6th form/apprenticeship application workshops and much more.

We have also invested in a platform called GCSE Pod. (https://www.gcsepod.com/) This has access to huge amounts of revision materials, videos, resources, tips for parents and students. Please utilise this to support your child as much as possible. It is a fantastic resource for students to consolidate their learning, and use for revision.

If you have any questions about anything that has been discussed, please do not hesitate to get in contact on the email address below. I look forward to seeing you all on October 17th for our parent information/revision evening. swilliams@theongaracademy.org

Kind regards,

Mr Williams

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