



NEWARK
ACADEMY

March 2018

Dear Parent/ Carer

'Success for All' evening – Thursday 22nd March 5pm-7pm.

As we enter this crucial phase of preparation for the final GCSE exams I would like to invite Pupils and Parents / Carers to our Year 11 **'Success for All'** evening.

The aim of the evening is for Parents and Pupils to gain an insight into the skills and techniques needed to support themselves through the revision period. It will be a fantastic opportunity to learn about techniques such as mind mapping and using prompt cards.

In addition, the core departments of English, Mathematics and Science will be running a presentation about revising in their subject.

We also recognise that this can be an overwhelming period for our pupils which can lead to anxiety and stress. On the evening **Sian Mclachlan** from **Newark Mind** will be running a session demonstrating relaxation and Well-being techniques to help our youngsters learn about coping mechanisms

The evening begins at **5.30pm** in the Lecture theatre, followed by three 30 minute sessions. The evening will end at **7.30pm**.

To ensure you get the most out of the evening, we ask your son/daughter brings their Knowledge Organiser with them so that you can try some of the techniques out with them.

If you are able to attend the event please complete the reply slip below and return by **Friday 16th March**. We very much look forward to welcoming you to this event.

*'Parental Support is **eight** times more important in determining a child's academic success than their background. The Campaign for Learning found that parental involvement in a child's education can mean the difference between an A and A*'. Times Education Supplement*

I would also like to take this opportunity to highlight key events taking place over the next term:

Year 11 Achievement evening – Thursday 29th March

Following on from the Mock examination, parents will have the opportunity to discuss their child's progress with the classroom teacher. Pupils will also be able to collect their Mock results on the day.

Easter Revision sessions – 3rd April – 14th April

We are running bespoke revision sessions throughout Easter. Timetables will be given. It is important that our pupils attend all sessions for the subjects they study towards. Attendance will be monitored and celebration rewards given.

After School revision sessions

As a school we are advising pupils to plan for 2 hours of revision a night; attendance at after school sessions can be a perfect way of keeping a pupil on track with this goal. Targeted intervention sessions are being run in English and Mathematics as well as in other subjects. Pupils have received a personalised timetable highlighting the sessions they are expected to attend.

Let's talk drop in – Tuesday lunchtime

The realisation of the challenge ahead in Year 11 can be overwhelming for some and we are very proud of our well-established and highly successful support programme that is run by Mrs Brown. Pupils can refer themselves to Mrs Brown and/or can be referred by subject teachers or tutors. If you have any concerns about how your child is coping with Year 11 and you would like to refer them, please do get in touch and we will ensure that we support them in any way we can.

Yours sincerely



Z Jones

School Leader Achievement

Reply Slip

I (Parent / Carer) would like to attend the **Success for All** evening on Thursday 22nd March.

Number of people attending (including pupil)

Please return to Z Jones by Tuesday 13th March.