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Dear Parent/Carer

Thank you for attending tonight's Year 11 Parents' Evening. Your son/daughter's GCSE examinations start in a little over three school weeks' time. I hope that it is an informative evening for you and that you will feel better placed to support them over what will be a very intensive and possibly at times stressful few months.

We have provided some information to support your discussions this evening:

- a copy of your son/daughter's most recent predicted grades, together with some comments about what they need to focus on in the coming weeks. A record of your child's attendance at College for the academic year to date is also attached.
- two copies of their personalised GCSE examination timetable, together with a letter and a copy of our 'Exam Information' booklet from our examinations officer Mrs Barnes. Please keep this exam information in a safe place for reference over the next few months. Please note that it is an expectation from the exam boards that all GCSE and A-level students are available on dates up to Wednesday 26 June should any examination need to be rearranged due to unforeseen circumstances.
- a copy of the Whitby Sixth Form Information booklet and an application form

The main GCSE written examination series starts on Monday 13 May. During that week, and the week beginning Monday 20 May, normal lessons will continue except where students are sitting examinations. We will organise a series of focussed revision sessions prior to as many examinations as possible. If, for example, Year 11 students have a GCSE Science exam in an afternoon, we will ensure that they either have a normal Science lesson or a revision session focussed on Science at some point during that morning. **There is no study leave.** After half term, during the weeks beginning Monday 3 June and Monday 10 June, students will either be in examinations or preparing for them, in focussed revision sessions beforehand. Each student will get a personalised examination / normal lesson / revision session timetable to guide them through these four weeks which we will share with parents. Study leave will start after the final GCSE Science exam on Friday 14 June, the final exam involving the whole year group.

Thank you for your support over the course of this year to date.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Simon Riley'.

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