

3 November 2016

Dear Parent

As part of our support for pupils, the English department has decided to provide homework rooms for Y11 after school, every week. Every day (except Wednesday) a member of the English department will be available so that pupils can bring in their English homework and work on in. This will enable extra support to be provided as necessary, but we are also very happy for pupils to use this opportunity also as a quiet place to work without needing teacher input.

Homework is a very important aspect of the GCSE English and GCSE English Literature courses, as both are now 100% exam and so independent work is crucial. Pupils must be able to show that they are willing to work without constant assistance, yet we are of course willing in these sessions to help anyone who is stuck.

Pupils do not have to attend with their own English teacher. The rota for this is as follows:

Monday R20 Mrs Ashton (Mr Wiles)

Tuesday R36 Mrs Worth

Thursday R36 Mrs Worth and R22 Mrs Robinson

Friday R29 Mrs Ouledi

Wednesday is usually department meeting night but Miss Taylor (R31) will be available on the following Wednesdays: 16 November, 18 January and 22 February (more dates will be published later for pupils).

This will be in place from Monday 7 November. Of course if your son/daughter is able to complete work to a high standard at home then there is absolutely no need for attendance – indeed we do not have the capacity for all pupils to attend. However we do feel that by offering all of these nights every week, pupils who need this facility should be able to attend. The sessions are from 3:05pm until 4pm.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss this further and thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully



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