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Dear Parents/ Guardians

This year students are going to face more exams in Science, six in total and the level of knowledge and revision required has increased substantially. We need to make sure that students are thoroughly prepared for all exams. The grading system will now be 9 to 1 with 5 regarded as a good pass and 4 as a standard pass. The Combined Science award comprises two GCSE's.

In June, students completed a mock exam provided by the board. This highlighted the need for more revision and the need to prepare our students for the more challenging exams. The average percentage for year 10 was 30% but this is still above the average for other schools which was only 28%.

The following provision will help prepare for the examination

- 1) Students will need to learn all of the formulae. 19 in total. A copy is attached.
- 2) Students have an online code for a revision book CGP and will also receive the book itself. (Form to be completed attached)
- 3) Students have an online code for Doodle (NameSurname13 password woodgreen)
- 4) We will also be running masterclasses on a Thursday afternoon after school commencing in November and leading up to the exam. These sessions will run for 40 mins and will concentrate on key learning.
- 5) On Tuesday after school, we will be running Doodle sessions
- 6) We will also place online videos of the required practicals on to the school website that student can watch to remind them of the practicals. They will need to remember which make up 15% of the questions in the exam. We will also be providing a booklet with the essential practicals which will be kept in school and given out closer to the exams.

Our aim is to make sure that students achieve the highest grade. The exam may be harder but everyone has to do the same exams.

Thank you for your support in this matter and if you need to find out more, please ring and ask for the Head of Science.

Yours sincerely,

Mr McTernan. Head of Science



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