

Senior Boys

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**MERCHANT
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For Boys and Girls
aged 4 to 18 years

11th February 2019

Dear Parent(s)/Guardians,

I very much hope that you found Year 11 Parents' Evening helpful and that you received clear messages about what your son needs to do in order to ensure that he performs to the best of his ability in the summer. I know that we are all keen to ensure that this is the case.

As Mr Simpson, the Deputy Head Academic explained, there is much help available at school. Many individual subjects run academic clinics at lunchtimes in order to help boys who are struggling with a particular aspect of a subject. Mr Simpson and Mr Yates will also be running mandatory clinics for a number of boys each Tuesday evening between 16:00 and 17:15 and on Fridays during the lunch break. These sessions will continue until **Study Leave commences on Friday 10th May**. This will be a time when boys can have a clear focus on making revision notes and attempting practice papers – both key aspects in preparation for the summer. We will also replace the World Tomorrow Today course after half term with subject specific revision clinics led by subject specialists, some of whom are experienced examiners. Courses covered will include Biology, History, Geography and English Language. And, of course, all of your sons' subject teachers will be happy to offer specific advice as it is they who best know what your son needs to do to make the best progress. In the end, however, the person most responsible for your son's success this summer, will be himself.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that there is a benchmark for entry into the Sixth Form at Merchant Taylors' Boys'. We would like each student to achieve at least 6 grades at Level 6. In subjects such as Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry and Biology we would want the boys to achieve at least a Level 7. Experience and national chances graphs indicate that it is difficult for students to attain more than a C grade at A Level if they have not obtained at least a Level 7 at GCSE. I firmly believe that all pupils in Year 11 are capable of exceeding the benchmark if they are prepared to put in the necessary hard work.

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind you that if you intend for your son to continue his education elsewhere in the Sixth Form then, in accordance with the School's Terms and Conditions, you should give notice by the end of this term, **Friday 29th March**, or you may become liable for a term's fees in lieu of notice.

If you feel that I can be of any assistance or you would like to discuss anything in further detail, then I would be more than happy to meet with you. Please contact my PA, Mrs Beryl Hatton at b.hatton@merchanttaylor.com to make an appointment, or telephone 0151 928 3308. I know that we all want to do what we can to ensure that your son does as well as he can this summer.

Yours sincerely,

Mr D. Wickes
Headmaster.