

27 September 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

## Year 11 Curriculum Evening Slides and Sixth Form Open Evening – 17 October 2024

Thank you for joining us last night for our Year 11 Curriculum Evening. As promised, I am attaching the slides from the presentations for you.

The key message of the evening was that our Year 11 students are at the core of our provision as this is a milestone year in their 7-year journey at Newstead. We provide students with a strong network of support, both academic and pastoral, which ensures the stellar results our students achieve every summer. However, I appreciate this can be a stressful year for some of our young people so if you have any concerns please get in touch with the relevant member of staff (teachers, tutors, SENCO, DSL, Head of Year, Assistant Headteacher for KS4).

It is crucial for our students to maintain a healthy work-life balance and we need your support in this. Eating healthily (*breakfast is essential for the right start to the day!*) and sleeping 8-9 hours per night means students will be in the best position every day to get the most out of school and study.

To make the best use of study time, a revision timetable is needed. I have attached an example revision timetable which your child can use as a template and make their own one to use in the weeks leading to the mock exams which start on 18 November.

Finally, I know that you will already be thinking about Sixth Form. Some of the Year 11 students had the chance yesterday to meet with our Oxbridge alumni and hear about their experiences. With Newstead Wood School A Level results going from strength to strength, the impressive destinations our Year 13 students achieved this summer were not a surprise. Current students know that the level of provision and excellent opportunities at Newstead Wood School Sixth Form will enable them to achieve the best possible outcomes. Many local students aspire to come to Newstead Wood School so our Sixth Form is oversubscribed. But please rest assured that every current student will be offered a place in Sixth Form, provided they meet the entry criteria. You will receive more information about Sixth Form options and opportunities on the Sixth Form Open Evening for current Year 11 students which takes place on Thursday 17 October at 6.00pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

Yours sincerely

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