

16th January 2019

Dear Parents,

Practice Exams

Today we have shared with our year 11 students the grades achieved following their performance in December's Practice Examinations.

For some students these grades are an excellent starting point for success in the Summer GCSE season and reflect a growing maturity and work ethic in this important year. For others, they highlight a need to start to focus on the final few months of their secondary education in order to gain the grades needed for their desired post 16 course/option. Within the assembly we have impressed upon students that there is time to address any gaps of knowledge, or indeed, to build further upon the success of these practice examinations.

Tutors will now be in the process of writing your child's report which will include the predicted grades from each subject area showing the results that we expect if your child continues to perform in the manner that they are working. These will be sent out in the last week in January.

Equally, we look forward to meeting you at our final Parents' Evening on Thursday 7th March to discuss your child's academic progress and preparation for their GCSEs. If in the interim you wish to discuss the academic progress of your child please contact the relevant Head of House or myself via email: <u>c.barlow@tarletonacademy.org</u> or the school office.

Finally, we have another set of practice examinations week commencing 25th March (although not all subjects will be sitting another set of examinations, as assessments may take place during normal lessons). In order to help your child prepare for these examinations and the Summer GCSEs please refer to our Parents' Section (<u>https://www.tarletonacademy.org/parents/examinations-information/year-11-exam-information</u>) on the school website for advice upon revision.

Yours faithfully,

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