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Dear Families,

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Year 10 Parents Information Evening: Effective Learning and Revision Monday 25th March 2024 6.30pm

With Year 10 students entering their second term of GCSE studies and the first formal set of Key Stage 4 Trial Exams appearing on the horizon in April, we invite you to join us for our second Year 10 Parents Information Evening of the year.

We are delighted that we have been able to engage the services of a guest speaker who will talk to you about supporting effective learning. Dr. Martijn van der Spoel is a chartered psychologist, who specialises in using the mind as an effective tool for learning. He will talk about how students can learn to balance focus, motivation and study behaviour and ways in which parents can support this through creative and constructive guidance.

The presentation has a significant, but accessible, emphasis on the psychology behind the strategies of learning. This should enable you to leave the session not only with the "how" but also with the "why" of effective learning. Examples and insights from research will be used to illustrate how you can support your child's learning.

As students will have spent the day working with Dr. van der Spoel, they are not required to attend in the evening and, as such, the evening is for parents and carers only.

We will also take the opportunity to briefly update you on the timelines of key forthcoming events such as Work Experience and Year 10 Trial Exams.

I do hope you will be able to join us on the evening of Monday 25th March at 6:30pm in the main hall.

Yours sincerely,

Mark Allday Acting Deputy Headteacher **Dan Smith**

Performance Director: Year 10















