# Year 11 Newsletter

**ISSUE 1** 

# **WELCOME**

Each half-term, Year 11 will receive two newsletters which will contain key updates, student work, spotlight on STWA staff and revision hacks. This newsletter will be used as a key point of contact for all Year 11 students, parents and carers.

## MISS DARKE INTRODUCTION

Welcome back!

Our Year 11 students have made a fantastic start to the year. The Year 11 team are so impressed with the level of investment our students have shown in their Tutor Achieve sessions, lessons and Period 4.



We have many exciting things coming up this half-term at Sir Thomas Wharton Academy. On Tuesday 10th October, we will be inviting Year 11 students, parents and carers to attend the Year 11 Revision Evening. During the evening, Year 11 tutors and subject leaders will be delivering workshops on revising from home and how to support your child with their independent learning. Students will be receiving revision packs for every subject which would otherwise be worth £75. We will also be starting our Half Term Achieve sessions at the end of October. Students will have the opportunity to sign up to these sessions prior to attending. Students that sign up and attend these sessions with full investment will be eligible for the Sir Thomas Wharton Academy Driving School!

I am really looking forward to being a part of this journey with Year 11 and I hope to see their level of investment continue throughout the year.

#### Miss B. Darke

(Student Achievement Leader, Year 11)

## STAFF SPOTLIGHT

This issue's staff spotlight places the focus on one of our Year 11 tutors, Miss Allen.



Year 11 have really impressed me with how they have started this academic year. Students are fully invested, prepared and driven! I know that they can achieve whatever they put their minds to, and I cannot wait to support them on this journey and watch them flourish along the way. It is such a privilege to be a part of the students last year in school and to be attached to such special memories that will last a lifetime!

## **KEY MESSAGES**

- Year 11 Revision Evening is on Tuesday 11th October. All students must attend with a parent/carer. If there is a reason anyone cannot attend, please call Mrs Wileman.
- Learning cycle 1 opens this week and students will be given target grades for each subject.
- Students can vote for the theme for the Class of 2024 Prom using the voting link that has been emailed to
- Students are required to use Tassomai and Sparx Maths weekly to achieve their aspirations and targets.

## THIS ISSUE'S REVISION HACK



This week's revision hack focuses on how you can achieve your target grade for every subject.

#### Make Revision a Priority

In the run-up to your final exams, it is important you make revision your top priority. Remember, this is temporary and you won't have to continue revising at this rate forever and other things can wait until the exams are finished. With that said, it is still extremely important that you put aside time to relax and de-stress during the revision and exam period.

Although it is important to make revision a priority in the period leading up to the final exams, it is equally as important to start revising months before the first exam. Begin with a small amount each week and gradually build up the number of hours!

#### Take Every Opportunity to Revise

Revision is a skill that needs to be practiced – the more you do it the better you get! From the beginning of Year 11, it is important you take every opportunity to revise. Make sure you revise for trial examinations and classroom tests to kickstart your revision.

It is also important to attend every single revision session the academy offers. Your teachers are your best resource – make the most of them!

#### **Learn from Past Papers and Sample Questions**

Working through a variety of past papers, specimen papers and sample questions is a great way of finding out gaps in your knowledge as well as testing your exam technique.

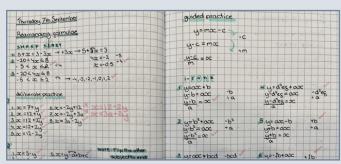
Once you have done an exam paper, use the mark scheme to find out where you have dropped marks – your teachers can help you with this! This will also help you to decide what to prioritise in your revision.

You can find past papers and sample questions on exam board websites. If you're struggling to find them, speak to your teacher!

#### **WORK EXAMPLES**

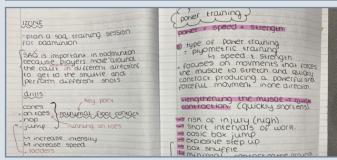
	Rearranging formulae.	
1	5 + x = 3 - 3 x + 3 x	
1-	5 + 4 x = 3 - 5	y = a oc + a
	4 x = 2 x = 0.5	y = α
	example:	x = y
	make a the subject:	1 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 1
	a - b - y + b	y = oc x a b c
	Deliberate practice:	y = x x 12
1-	x - y = 7 + y	y = x x 12

"I've been really impressed with the level of investment Y11 have shown with rearranging formulae. Can you spot your work?" Mr Walker, Mathematics.



"Year 11 have been working hard on the exam component this week and have shown a good level of knowledge when looking at Training Methods and Components of Fitness" Mr Martin BTEC Sport.





## STUDENT WELFARE MANAGER AWARD

This week's Student Welfare Manager Award goes to Tristen J for improving in attendance and investment in Period 4!

