

20<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

### Re: Feedback from English assessment

As we prepare for students to sit their final GCSE Examinations this summer, we felt it was important to communicate directly with parents and carers regarding the results of recent assessments and revision opportunities moving forwards.

In our most recent round of mock examinations, students sat the following two exam papers:

- English Language – Paper 1
- English Literature – Paper 2

Following the marking of these papers, this has confirmed that almost all students have made progress since the previous round of assessments in November. We celebrated this success with students in their assembly last week. If you are receiving this letter, your child **did not meet their target grade** in either one or both assessments, however they are only one grade from achieving this (and in some cases only a small handful of marks from securing their target).

While we recognise and celebrate the progress that all students have made, we are asking parents/carers for their continued support in encouraging students to utilise the resources at their disposal to support their revision and exam preparation both inside and outside of lessons.

Below is small sample of revision resources available that students should be encouraged to utilise at home, in addition to ensuring sustained effort in lessons:

- Revision Guides – available to purchase through WisePay.
- YouTube Videos (Mr Bruff Resources)
- Mind-Mapping (using set Literature texts and focusing on characters and themes)
- Completion of past exam questions

The English Department will be hosting an **English Language Revision Conference for students on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March (4.00pm-6.00pm)** which we would encourage all students to attend. Content will be delivered by two members of staff who are also employed by AQA as examiners of the English Language exams and will be focusing on reminding students of how to pick up the extra marks they need and cross the threshold into higher marking bands.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact me via [enquiries@corbytechnicalschool.org](mailto:enquiries@corbytechnicalschool.org).

Yours sincerely,



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