

4th February 2020

Re: Year 11 Now and Next Event

Dear Parent/Carer,

As part of Corby Technical School's dedication to ensuring students are furnished with all of the relevant skills and information to thrive in the academic studies this year we are offering an opportunity to discuss with you ways in which you can support your child at this important stage of their school life. On **Thursday 13th February** we would like to offer you the opportunity to come into school to discuss a number of ways in which you can support your child with revision and life beyond Corby Technical School.

The evening will begin at 5:15pm and is expected to run until 6.15pm. The sessions on the evening are as follows:

Exam board protocol and expectations – Delivered by Mrs Arnold (Vice Principal)

This short session will cover the regulations set out by the Joint Council of Qualifications (JCQ) and the rules surrounding students sitting their exams. In addition, we endeavour to make you aware of how we will support your child when they are sitting exams during our school holidays and expectations regarding study and attendance at school in the lead up to the exam period.

Exam Preparation and Revision Expectations – Delivered by Mr Gourlay (Raising Standards Leader KS4)

This session will cover the schools overall expectations for revision with tools and techniques that your child can use to get the most out of revision. The session is designed to give you an idea of what high quality, active revision looks like so that you are able to support your child. In addition, we will also make you fully aware of how departments share homework with students and how you can access a portal to see your child's homework schedule.

Core Subject Revision - Delivered by Mrs Rice (Director of English), Mrs Brightwell (Director of Science), Mrs Ferns (Director of Maths)

English, Maths and Science are core subjects and are of high importance to every child at Corby Technical School. These qualifications will be considered very carefully when applying for future education/career opportunities and as a school we are committed to ensuring that every child has the best possible opportunity for success in these key areas of study. This section will make you aware of specific guidance around preparing for these subjects, as well as any additional intervention opportunities these departments are providing for your child.

Future Opportunities - Delivered by Mr Rogers (Careers Lead)

This section will focus on opportunities for your child upon completing their GCSE study at Corby Technical School. You will be made aware of 6th form and college provision in the local area, including upcoming open evenings and application deadlines. We will also make you aware of apprenticeship opportunities which will allow your child to experience the world of work and gain a wage, whilst studying towards a Level 3 qualification.

We will also be providing an information pack with relevant resources including: provisional exam timetable; the school expectations regarding exams; department revision techniques and available resources; information on future study and career opportunities.

You can book your place on at this event using the parents evening booking system. We highly recommend that students also attend the evening so that all parties are clear and can continue working together to ensure students are prepared for their upcoming exams and life beyond Corby Technical School.

Please acknowledge your attendance no later than **Friday 7th February**.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Rogers at drogers@corbytechnicalschool.org.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A Reynolds', written in a cursive style.

Mrs A Reynolds
Principal