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ACADEMY

Principal - Mr Garry Trott

Our Ref: RHa/EPe

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Dear Parents of Year 8 Students

Positively Mad Exam Buster Workshop: Wednesday 16 May 2018 (Year 8)

In preparation for the end of year exams, we have arranged for students in Year 8 to receive two presentations by Positively Mad during lessons 2 and 3 on Wednesday 16 May. These will take place in the main hall in place of their usual timetabled lessons. Students will attend tutor time, break and all other lessons as normal. The academy is funding the cost of the presentations and all students will be taking part.

The first workshop is called Exam Busters; it is a fast-paced, highly interactive workshop designed to improve memory skills, increase self-confidence, understand the importance of reflective practices and regular review, and to prepare for exams. The second workshop is called Resilience; it looks at the demands placed on today's teenagers and shows them how to find balance, look after themselves, become resilient and take control of their future. Both workshops are designed to heighten aspiration and promote positive attitudes towards learning and, ultimately, improve exam performance.

During the month of June, students in Year 8 will be taking Progress Review Examinations (PREs) in core subjects (maths, science and English). These will be taken in the sports hall under normal exam conditions. The idea behind this is to not only measure their individual progress this year but also to help them organise their revision and get them used to taking exams in the sports hall in readiness for Year 11. The dates and times of Year 8 PREs are as follows:

Thursday 7 June

- 11.10am – 1.10pm Lessons 3 and 4 Maths Non-Calculator (1hr 30min)
- 1.50pm – 2.50pm Lesson 5 Science Exam (1hr)

Wednesday 13 June

- 1.50pm – 2.50pm Lesson 5 English (1hr)

Friday 15 June

- 11.10am – 1.10pm Lessons 3 and 4 Maths Calculator (1hr 30 min)

At 4.30pm on Wednesday 16 May, parents are invited to come along to a one-hour twilight session with their child. This will be a fun and informative experience, which offers parents the perfect opportunity to encourage and support students at home as they try out their new skills. If you would like to attend, please let us know by logging on to **EventBrite** and entering your details when prompted to do so. There is a link on the **Parent/Useful Links** page of our website. This is a private event so you will need to enter the password MAD16MAY when asked to do so. There is no charge and you do not need to print or bring tickets with you; we simply need to know how many people to expect. If you have any questions, please contact me at school on 01473-466220.

Yours sincerely

R Hawkes
Assistant Principal



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