



# Coopers School



## An IB World School

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Dear Parent and Carers

As another term comes to a close it is with great pleasure that we share with you all the fantastic events and achievements that Year 11 students have participated in, along with news and events for 2018.

On 5 and 6 December the school had two LEAP days. These are Learning Enrichment Aspirational Programme days. Many Year 11 students had the opportunity to work on and improve their Geography GCSE assessments, while others participated in the Terrorism Awareness programme. On 6 December, we then offered many students the opportunity to improve their work in different subject areas such as Art and Technology, while others took part in a day of physical activity with the PE Department. A huge thank you to all of Year 11 for showing excellent behaviour and determination to get lots of work done.

It has been wonderful to see many of you at the two parent events this term. Firstly, at the Post 16 Event on 16 November, we had a record number of students attend and subsequently apply to Coopers Sixth Form. We look forward to running interviews with all Year 11 students during the week beginning Monday 5 February 2018. Secondly, we had a fabulous attendance to the Year 11 Parent Consultation evening on 29 November. This again was so lovely to see so many of you having those really important conversations with staff about how to improve, progress and succeed in subjects as we enter into the final phase of Year 11. The Year 11 team has been incredibly impressed with the attitude and behaviour of the year group so far and we hope this continues into 2018. With a new year ahead and with a tradition of resolutions being made, it is important to remember that good intentions are great, but it is the action taken of those intentions that makes for positive progress.

With this in mind, attached with this letter is a timetable of sessions being offered by staff for extra intervention starting from January 2018. This is an excellent opportunity being offered to Year 11 students only, and is a vital support to their lessons during the GCSE period. Please encourage your son or daughter to attend sessions in subjects they may feel less confident in or may be finding difficult. In addition to this, the Upgrade Centre is open every day from 7.45am to 5.00pm and is a wonderful space to bring work, revision or ask for help and support from Mrs May who is always available to help.

We are looking forward to the events of this last week of the autumn term. On Tuesday 19 December we will be hosting a rugby match to raise funds for the Year 11 Prom that will take place at the end of the exam period. We would like to congratulate Aaron Thorpe for his organisation of this event. Year 11 Students will pay £1 to watch the match and support the event. Dismissal will be from the field at 3.00pm.

The final day of term is Wednesday 20 December. All students will have the opportunity to wear a Christmas jumper to school. This is to raise money for Children in the Surket district of Mid-Western Nepal, to aid them with food, healthcare and education. Students are reminded to pay a donation of £1 to wear their jumper in addition to their uniform. Please note that this is not an own clothes day.

Year 11 students will also take part in an end of term awards ceremony to celebrate all the fantastic achievements of the students during this term. We anticipate that this will be a hugely positive event, and students will be dismissed directly from the assembly at 11.50am.

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The new term begins on Thursday 4 January 2018 at 8.30am. On their return in January, students will be taking part in the second Mock Examination week, starting the week beginning 15 January. We would recommend that, along with a restful and relaxing Christmas break, students do keep in mind the need for revision in preparation for the exams ahead. With this in mind we have set work for Year 11 students to complete on GCSEpod to aid with revision and support throughout the exam period. All exams will take place in lesson time and will be a clear bench mark for progress and improvement.

We wish you and all your family a very Happy Christmas and New Year and, once again, thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

The Year 11 Team



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Assistant Principal



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Director of Learning



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Head of Year