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Dear S5 and S6 families

As you will be aware, the formal diet of prelim examinations will run from Friday 7th January up to and including Friday 21st January. As per previous communications prior to the Christmas break, it was our intention to run these assessments during class time which would mean our S5 and S6 students would remain on a full timetable. However, given the current climate this is becoming more challenging due to the number of both students and staff who are absent due to self-isolation.

We are therefore introducing a block of study leave which will run from **Monday 10th January up to and including Friday 21st January**. During this time our S5 and S6 learners **should only attend school** either to sit a formal prelim examination **or** to attend a revision masterclass. Revision masterclasses will run for all Higher level courses and will be delivered by subject specialists. For Advanced Higher level courses, teaching staff will direct learners to study materials via their class team accessed on glow. Staff may also use this time to tutorials with individual or groups of students who may require this – if this is the case, the teacher will contact the young people directly via Glow. Whilst attendance is not compulsory at these masterclasses, we would strongly encourage our learners to attend these if they are able to i.e. they do not have another timetabled exam.

The timetable for both the prelim examinations (which remains unchanged from the timetable issued prior to the Christmas break) and the masterclass timetable can be found in the email sent to families as well as on the S5 and S6 year group teams which learners can access via their glow account.

If a young person does not have access to a quiet, suitable space for private study at home, we can accommodate them in the building, however to allow us to plan for this and also for fire evacuation purposes, we would need the young person to email the school no later than **Friday 7th January at 3pm** at gw09forresterlaura@glow.sch.uk with the days/times they intend to come in.

If a young person is unable to attend their prelim due to self-isolation guidance, they should contact their Pastoral Care Teacher or Miss Stewart on Glow to inform them **as soon as possible** – we will then run a series of catch-up assessments for any young people this may apply to.

All S5 and S6 learners will return to their normal timetabled classes on **Monday 24th January at 9am**.

Many thanks for continued support.

Yours sincerely

L Edgerton - Head Teacher

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