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Dear parents and carers,

Re: Year 11 Extended Options Days

As you know, Year 11 is an important year for your child and is crucial in preparing all students for their upcoming exams. The year is also important for making sure students have achieved their best in any coursework or practical assessments in qualifications that feature these aspects as part of their exam.

Achieving qualifications in a range of subjects represents a lot about a student. It demonstrates to colleges, apprenticeship providers, and employers, that a student has developed a breadth of knowledge across several subjects. This demonstrates that they have used effective studying, time management, and revision skills to balance the demands of studying a range of qualifications. At Kelvin Hall, we are proud that our students study a broad range of qualifications from English, Maths, Humanities, and Languages, as well as a broad selection of vocational subjects.

We are now in the final full term that your child will be at Kelvin Hall. As they have done all year so far, your child and their teachers will be working to ensure that any areas they need further support in, are developed in class, through revision sessions, and outside of school. In their Choices lessons, this may also include completing assessed units, coursework, or practical exams which count towards their final grades.

To ensure all students have the vital support they need at this stage in Year 11 for their Choices lessons, we are running an Extended School Day for Year 11 on Wednesday, 7th February, and Thursday, 8th February. On these two days, students will follow their normal school timetable. They will be in their normal Choices Lessons on Wednesday afternoon and Thursday afternoon and will remain in this lesson until 5 pm. These days will be an excellent opportunity to extend their current work, receive further targeted support, and support revision for their upcoming exams in those subjects.

Due to the importance of these days, any Year 11 students needing to leave school on these days will need to be collected from school by an appropriate adult (e.g. to attend a medical appointment). If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Allen (Attendance Officer) by email at attendance@kelvinhall.net.

Students will also now be mindful of their upcoming second Mock exams, starting on Monday, 19th February. Following the first mock exams, we have reviewed the plans for the second set of mock exams and have reduced the number of exams that will be completed, and also reduced the number of exams that will be sat in the exam halls. The Mock exams' timetable can be found here:

https://www.kelvinhall.net/files/ugd/1135a2_1b298ff2bca94aa18c1ec6b10d5ddbcd.pdf

Please continue to support your child in their preparations for these exams.



Thank you in advance for supporting your child in attending these vital days in full; they will be extremely valuable in their Options subjects. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Piercy (piercylauren@thrivetrust.uk) or Mr Leng (lengc@thrivetrust.uk).

Yours sincerely,

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