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Dear Parents/Carers

NUMERACY EXAMS 3rd & 5th NOVEMBER 2020

I am writing to you in light of the 'fire breaker' announcement this week by Mark Drakeford to confirm that the Numeracy exams on **Tuesday 3rd November and Thursday 5th November** will still be going ahead and pupils will be allowed on site to sit these exams. They should arrive at school at **8.40am**, in **full school uniform**, and go straight to **A block yard** where they should line up in their maths class. When the exam has finished, in accordance with the lockdown, pupils must leave the school grounds immediately and go straight home.

Year 11 pupils will not be allowed in school during the half term break for any revision sessions, however, and unfortunately they will be working from home for the first week after half term – with the exception of these exam dates.

Pupils have been working extremely hard over the last 7 weeks, in preparation for these exams, and we want to give them the opportunity to achieve the grades they deserve. We will provide pupils with resources and past papers for them to work on during half term and then, as we have found the days before the exams in previous years to be the most beneficial, we will be offering two online revision sessions for pupils on Monday 2nd and Wednesday 4th November.

There will be a set time for pupils to log into teams and work in a 'live lesson' with two members of the Maths department. The live lessons will provide an opportunity for pupils to engage with past paper questions and ask questions where necessary. Alternatively, if this is not an option for some pupils, there will be a revision booklet provided with a pre-recorded video working through it and explaining all the solutions. The pre-recorded video will provide the same explanations as the live lessons, but will be reliant on pupils working through it individually and questions will have to be asked via teams or email.

It is vital that all pupils engage in a meaningful and purposeful way with either one of these revision sessions. The work that has been invested by the pupils in the preparation for these exams has been incredible and it is extremely important that even though they are not in the classroom, they continue to engage in independent revision. All pupils need to take responsibility for their own learning and ensure they are accessing the provided resources in preparation for this exam.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at ife@cantonian.cardiff.sch.uk

Yours sincerely

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