

Our Ref: 022 15

12th February 2015

Dear Parent/Carer

Your son is going to resit his Science A Core Examination this year in order to try to improve his grade from year 10.

To do this successfully he must complete a piece of controlled assessment, an ISA (Investigative Skills Assessment). This is quite time consuming, so to have minimal disruption on lessons and after school activities your son will be required to stay after school for **one hour on Monday 23rd February** to complete the first stage of his investigation. This is vital to all the other parts of the assessment.

The timeline of the controlled assessment will be as follows:

Monday 23 February - all pupils resitting to stay behind after school with FMC for ISA preparation/research

Tues during period 3 science lesson - all pupils resitting to sit ISA paper 1 with Mr Ahmed

Wed during period 1 science lesson - all pupils resitting to complete practical with Mr Cousins

Wed during period 3 Science lesson - all pupils resitting to draw graph of results and do paper 2 preparation with Miss McRory

Fri during period 4 science lesson4 - all pupils resitting to sit paper 2 with Mr Cousins

This will mean the ISA will be completed in one week.

It is expected that pupils do the majority of their revision for their resit in their own time. They should still have their work from last year and will be given some revision notes in addition to this. They also have access to Kerboodle using their log in details where they can access the textbooks of their course. Another useful website is www.aqa.org.uk where you can access past papers and mark schemes that pupils can use at home. There are also revision sessions offered at the following times:

Day	Lunch time	After school
MONDAY		Chemistry GCSE - Miss Mc Convery - Room 10
TUESDAY	GCSE SCIENCE CLINIC <i>Anyone in y 10 or 11 can drop in to get help with a particular topic, ask about something you are unsure of or to undertake personal study. Miss Mc Convery room 10</i> GCSE Biology drop in Miss Lalgee	Physics GCSE - Mr Cousins Room 16
WEDNESDAY		GCSE Biology drop in Miss McRory

I would be grateful if you could return the slip below to give permission for your son to stay behind on Monday 23rd February.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Miss F McConvery
Head of Science

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Name: _____

Form: _____

I understand that my son needs to complete the Controlled Assessment component of his Core Science GCSE in order to resit and I give permission for my child to attend after school session on Monday 23rd February.

Signed: _____ (parent/carer)

Date: _____