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Dear Parents / Carers

Your child will be sitting their second internal GCSE examinations this Autumn (week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> November till the 17<sup>th</sup> November). This is another opportunity to practise their revision, exam techniques and identify areas in their understanding still to master before they sit the real external GCSE examinations in summer 2019

This term, in form time, we have been working on revision techniques and checking that students have a timetable for their revision. I have to say that feedback from tutors is that the majority of students are well into their revision, which is very encouraging to hear. In class, all subject teachers have been going into depth about what topics will be on the November examinations to assist this process.

To assist your child in this I suggest you ensure that there is a quiet, well lit place for them to study, in comfort and with little distractions, i.e. television, radio or their phones. It is also important that they have the correct equipment, pens, pencils, highlighters, post it notes and folders to support this process.

The school also offers competitively priced revision guides and workbooks for most subjects on parent pay (see school's website). All guides are endorsed by the examination board your child will be receiving their qualification from.

I attach several useful links at the end of this letter to give you some instruction if you require it.

Revision is a key part to learning new information and consolidating it. It is not an easy thing to achieve for all students but, with practice, it does get easier. Remember the key to success is perseverance and being consistent when it comes to preparing for linear GCSE examinations.

If you or your child require any further assistance in this matter then please do not hesitate to contact myself or the year 11 team at The Coleshill school.

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\*PIXL website link: The log in below is needed for you to access this resource.

<https://students.pixl.org.uk/#!/menu>  
School Number: 503308  
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Useful links:-

[www.GCSE Bitesize/KS4](http://www.GCSE Bitesize/KS4)

[www.Youtube.com](http://www.Youtube.com) - type in topic then exam board and then GCSE i.e. homeostasis AQA GCSE

[www.mathsmadeeasy.co.uk](http://www.mathsmadeeasy.co.uk) – all sciences and mathematics plus mark schemes