

19th November 2025

Dear Parent/Carer



I hope this message finds you well. I write to you again at the end of what has been an incredibly successful week for the Year 11 students, who have completed their next round of rehearsal examinations. As ever, they are a credit to you, their teachers, but most importantly themselves. The Year 11 team are eternally proud of this year group, yet they continue to outdo themselves every time.



While we await the results of their latest endeavors, I must turn to attendance. The exceptional attendance that the pupils have this term must continue. Data shows that pupils who fall below the level of 90% attendance statistically end up two grades lower than their peers who achieve better attendance. As I have said before at various parents' evenings, information nights and so on, the curriculum is carefully sequenced and mapped out to ensure information is delivered in increments in order to better aid understanding. Teaching staff will be using the data from the exams to address misconceptions and revisit developmental areas that these rehearsal exams have highlighted. I must ask once again for your support to ensure that the pupils are attending, for no reason other than their own benefit. Additionally, the temptation for our young people will be to ease off on the revision. It is of the utmost importance that they continue to push themselves. The small sacrifices now will be worth the reward in summer. Which is why the Year 11 team will be using rewards based on self-study and the completion of the progress review logs. Your assistance in checking the revision that the students undertake and signing the log will be greatly appreciated. Additional revision resources can, as ever, be found on the Year 11 Exams Hub ([Year 11 Exam Hub - Cowley International College - St Helens](#)). There you can also find further information about period 6 and Breakfast Boost, which can be attended every day from 8am in the library.



Finally, **Year 11 Parents' Evening** will take place on **Thursday 11th December**. By this stage, pupils should have received their rehearsal examination results. Parents Evening appointments will be made via the My Child at School App (MCAS) Bookings will open on Thursday 27th November 2025 and we will close the system on Wednesday 10th December at 9.00am. The system allows you to choose your appointment time with your child's teachers. It is a user-friendly system, once you have logged into MCAS, simply click on the Parents Evening section and your child's subjects will appear so you can book the individual appointments. If you do not have access to MCAS please contact the college who will help in sending you the details to activate your account. Please be aware that some teachers handle multiple classes, which may limit the number of appointments available. As a result, bookings will be allocated on a first come, first-served basis. We encourage you to log in and secure your appointments as soon as possible to ensure you can meet with the teachers you wish to speak with. We look forward to welcoming you then.



Yours sincerely,

P Collins

Mr. P Collins
Head of Achievement for Year 11

