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Dear Year 11

This has been an incredibly positive and impressive term for you all. You have worked hard, shown real maturity, and demonstrated the determination needed to succeed in your final year at school.

Your effort in lessons and during Pathways to Success, has been excellent. Many of you have also shown real commitment to your independent learning at home, completing your Sparxs Reader, Sparxs maths and Sparxs science work. These habits are essential if you are to achieve the high grades you deserve, and it is encouraging to see so many of you taking this seriously.

I am also delighted that every single one of you has applied for your college place. We are the first school in Bolton to have achieved 100% applications so early. This is a fantastic accomplishment, and you should all feel extremely proud of yourselves. It shows ambition, organisation, and a readiness for the next step.

Your behaviour, attitude, and presentation during Mock Interview Day were equally outstanding. You looked smart, spoke with confidence, and impressed every visitor you met. You carried yourselves like young adults preparing for the future, and I know your parents and carers would have felt incredibly proud, as did all of us here at school.

When we return in the new year, your PPEs begin on Monday 12th January. These exams are extremely important and will be used to inform your predicted grades for college. It is essential that you approach them with full commitment. Simply turning up is not enough – you must arrive prepared, having revised thoroughly, understood what to expect on the papers, and practised the content. To help you succeed, a revision booklet has been provided, packed with guidance and resources to focus your revision. The more effort you put in now, the less stressed you will feel, and the more confident you will be walking into your exams.

During the exams, be resilient. Write in detail, use the full time available, and keep going even when a question feels challenging. Manage your timings carefully and work right up until you are told to put your pen down. Show the effort, focus, and determination that we know you are capable of.

We believe in you. We know what you can achieve. Continue working hard over the break, stay focused, and come back ready to give your very best.

Have a wonderful Christmas and New Year.

Regards

C. Dewse



Headteacher















