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Dear Parents and Carers,

SIXTH FORM OPTIONS EVENING

The Year 11 Sixth Form Options Evening is scheduled in the school calendar for Thursday 14 November between 6.30pm and 8.30pm. The evening is intended to be of benefit to all members of Year 11 including those pupils who may be considering opportunities apart from the Sixth Form at King's. Please be aware that the evening starts at 5.30pm for those boys who attend other local schools. King's pupils and parents should arrive for 6.30pm. **Due to limited space in the School Hall, we ask that only one parent attends with their son.**

Heads of Department will be delivering subject presentations in specific rooms in the Tower Block to talk to you about their subject and to pass on what I am sure will be invaluable help and support. These talks will take place every 15 minutes from 7.00pm to 8.30pm following the main presentation in the hall at 6.30pm. We ask that parents sign up in advance for up to six presentations using the online booking system and return the reply slip below to confirm you can attend the evening with your son. Please login to https://kingsgrantham.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/ by Monday 11 November to select your presentations. If you have any problems accessing the software please contact me on justin.dixon@kings.lincs.sch.uk.

YEAR 11 MOCK EXAMINATIONS

The Year 11 Mock Examinations will take place between Monday 2 and Monday 9 December. These examinations are an important stage in preparing your son for his final examinations and he must prepare himself thoroughly. The results will provide essential information about strengths and areas for development so that they can be addressed over the coming months. Full attendance is expected across the period of Mock Examinations. There will be no study leave and pupils should attend School as normal from 8.45am and register in Form Rooms with their Tutor. When pupils are not in examinations they will be in normal lessons.

I have attached the timetable for the examination period and instructions to candidates published by JCQ the exams regulator. We shall run the examinations as though they are the actual GCSEs. The pupils will be made aware of how they should conduct themselves in an assembly on Friday 29 November. Any pupil who fails to behave in the correct manner will be dealt with as follows:

- His script will be removed and destroyed.
- He will be required to repeat the examination in an after-school detention, lasting the full time of the examination.
- Parents will be informed and made aware that any subsequent failure to follow the required system will result in an exclusion.

I'm sure you appreciate it is important that we run these examinations in the correct manner in order to give everyone the opportunity for success.

Results will be published to parents during the week beginning Monday 13 January 2020 and your son should be aware that the Mock Examinations will be an important measure when advising pupils of post-16 options.

During the week beginning Monday 10 February 2020 every Year 11 pupil will have an individual interview with a senior member of staff to discuss career aspirations and post-16 options. We shall expect that he will bring a completed Sixth Form application form with him to this meeting or information relating to external courses. The prospectus will have been distributed on the 14 November and I hope this will allow plenty of time for discussion at home.

Once pupils have a provisional programme of study we shall pass the information to Subject Leaders to ask for their opinion on course viability. We shall organise an additional interview for any pupil who is deemed to be unsuitable for a subject. We must ensure that every pupil who intends on returning to the Sixth Form has a viable programme of study.

I would be grateful if you could return the reply slip to your son's Form Tutor or email admin@kings.lincs.sch.uk by Monday 11 November to confirm you can attend the evening and also sign up online to the presentations you wish to attend.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish your son my best wishes in his Mock Examinations. If there are any questions relating to this letter that you would like to discuss in more detail please do not

hesitate to contact me or Mr Collins (Head of Year 11). Yours sincerely, **Justin Dixon Deputy Head Master %**%------Return to: Form Tutor or email admin@kings.lincs.sch.uk by Monday 11 November 2019 SIXTH FORM OPTIONS EVENING & YEAR 11 MOCK EXAMINATIONS Form: Pupil's Name: I expect to attend the Year 11 Options Evening on the 14 November with my son [] Parent's Signature: Date: