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Dear Year 11 Parents and Carers,

As you will be aware our year 11 students get **one hour of compulsory RE in every two week** teaching cycle. This fulfils the school's statuary obligation for RE in Year 11.

Our teaching programme has mirrored the AQA short course content. However, King's students do not get the amount of teaching time (minimum 60 hours) that the exam board stipulates for this course.

This has been the situation since the school's decision to give our GCSE students more teaching time in Maths and English.

Therefore, I recommend that majority of King's students **do not enter** for the GCSE short course exam this year.

However, there remains an opportunity for some students who have demonstrated consistently high attainment and a strong motivation to gain accreditation in RE to sit the short course exam.

Students now need to decide if they would like to enter the RE short course exam this summer - with the final decision being informed by the evidence of their overall attainment and motivation this year.

Those entering for the exam will be expected to show commitment, use the revision materials provided and attend the after-school exam preparation classes that will run in term 4.

If your son **wants to enter** for this exam please respond by email to indicate their decision –deadline Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February.

If you have any further questions regarding this matter please contact the Head of RE, Mr D Haslam.

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