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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Year 9 exams are scheduled to take place between Monday 15 May and Friday 26 May. All assessments will be carried out during normal timetabled lessons. The exams will cover work carried out over the whole year. Students will be told when exams will take place by their subject teachers and this should be recorded in their planner.

The revision booklet enclosed with this letter provides information on revision strategies and content of exams. Subject Leaders have given an overview of the requirements of each exam to enable students to prepare themselves appropriately. In addition, there is also revision material available on Frog.

All students are able to access Frog from home at <https://frog.kings.lincs.sch.uk>. The username is the same as their username for a school computer. Once they have typed this into Frog they should click on 'password'. They won't be able to type anything in this box and will be redirected to another screen. At this point they will be asked to type in their username again. At this stage, they must prefix 'grkin\' before their username. The password will be the same password used to access a school computer; there are no separate passwords for Frog. Any student who is having problems gaining access to Frog from home should see Mr Dixon or Mr Payne (Computing teacher).

Year 9 have also been given access to GCSEPod which is a resource that can be accessed via FROG or via the GCSEPod app. Year 9 have started work on GCSE Science material and may find GCSEPod a useful resource to aid them with revision. GCSEPod covers 20 subjects and features over 3000 audio-visual podcasts. This provides over 400 hours of curriculum-relevant learning and revision material, written by teachers, narrated by professional voiceover artists and enhanced with text and images to engage the user. Each title features several 3-5 minute chapters which present students with relevant, easy-to-digest information.

Any student accessing GCSEPod through Frog will be signed in automatically without the need for a separate username and password. If a student wishes to download GCSEPod on their mobile phone or tablet they will need to create a username and password whilst logged into GCSEPod within Frog. GCSEPod is only available to students and parents cannot access through the parent portal of Frog. Unfortunately, GCSEPod do not include parent access on their licence agreement.

Please do not hesitate to contact Miss Bieber should you have any questions regarding end of year examinations or Mr Dixon/Mr Payne if the question relates to FROG or GCSEPod.

Yours sincerely,

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