

# PENAIR SCHOOL

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Dear Parent

Re: Year 11 Information

As your child begins their final year at Penair School, we are writing to provide you with some important information to support your child in their quest to achieve the very best outcomes in year 11.

You will receive a number of letters and reports throughout the year via your son/daughter but we would advise you to regularly check the school website for up-to-date information and reminders of key dates. We will also try to send text message reminders so please keep your contact details up to date with us.

The following are important dates for year 11 that you might like to note in advance:

12<sup>th</sup> October: 7.30-9.00pm. Truro College Open Evening for Penair School students and parents

17<sup>th</sup> October: Dr van der Spoel revision techniques workshop #1

19<sup>th</sup> October: Year 11 Parents' Evening

1<sup>st</sup> November: 5-7pm. Careers fair, including colleges, universities and employers, as well as the opportunity to find out more about next summer's National Citizens Service (NCS).

6<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> November: Y11 trial exams

\*Careers meetings will be taking place throughout autumn term with Mrs Sherwood. College applications will take place in **January 2018**.

18<sup>th</sup> January: Dr van der Spoel revision techniques workshop #2

19<sup>th</sup> February -2<sup>nd</sup> March: Y11 trial exams

28<sup>th</sup> March: Dr van der Spoel revision techniques workshop #3

22<sup>nd</sup> June: Year 11 Leavers' ball

As in previous years, you will receive half termly assessments telling you about the progress that your child is making in each of their subjects. In years 10 and 11, your child's half-termly assessment grades indicate the grade likely to be achieved if he/she continues with their current performance. The target grade is set at the beginning of Year 10 and is based on nationally expected progress from the end of Key Stage 2 (Year 6).

Your child will already have a target for each subject, set using national progress data for subject groups (English, Maths, Ebacc Subjects and other Subjects). Targets will be reviewed on each release of national data. Your child will also be given a score regarding behaviour for learning and homework. You will be able to discuss your child's progress at Year 11 Parents' Evening on 19<sup>th</sup> October.

Good attendance is vital to achieving success and we would request you ensure your child is present each day. With the pressure to complete course syllabus and provide plenty of time for revision sessions, any absence will seriously jeopardize chances of achieving the best possible grades. If your child is feeling slightly under the weather please encourage resilience by sending them into school with plenty of water and tissues.

We are sure that your son / daughter has already received numerous homework tasks in this past week and we are hopeful that your discussions at home have been productive. The planner is an important method of communication between home and school and should be looked at and signed by a parent each week. Homework tasks for your child can also be viewed using 'Show my Homework'. All pupils have been given their Show my Homework logins via their Tutors.

Revision sessions have already begun and we ask you to encourage your child to take every opportunity that is given to them to ensure they reach their potential in August.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime			<b>ENGLISH</b> (starts 13 <sup>th</sup> September)		<b>ENGLISH</b> KS4 drop-in clinic
			<b>GEOGRAPHY</b> (starts 13 <sup>th</sup> September in C6)		
After School			<b>SCIENCE</b>	<b>MATHS</b> Foundation and Higher	

Good communication links with school are important therefore please do not hesitate to contact the school, should you have any queries.

With a strong home-school partnership, we can work together to ensure your child achieves every success in the future.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L Miller  
Key Stage Academic Leader

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Key Stage Pastoral Leader