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Dear Parent/Carer

As you are aware your Year 10 child will be sitting their **RE short course GCSE examination** on **Wednesday 21st May at 1pm.** The examination can only be sat at this time, since the awarding body, not the school, sets the date and time.

Students must ensure that they comply with the regulations set by JCQ when sitting this exam. They are familiar with these regulations from the assemblies they have been given and from sitting their RE mock examinations in Year 9 and Year 10. They also received an examination booklet prior to their RE mock in December 2024.

This is the first formal public examination for most students In Year 10 and it provides them with a very realistic experience of how successful they might be in their final Year 11 examinations if they prepare sufficiently.

Revision is well under way in their RE lessons and students should be revising at home.

The RE Department has been setting different types of revision tasks as outlined below. (Those highlighted in bold are accessed online). Students should choose the method that best suits them.

- **Seneca** useful for comprehension revision and changes the difficulty level of questions based on your child's knowledge and understanding.
- Quizziz quick knowledge quizzes to improve the retention of knowledge.
- YouTube Videos by Ben Wardle (a qualified RE teacher with knowledge of the AQA syllabus) good to watch and take notes from.
- Mrs Bishop's revision booklet summarises briefly the content for all four topics, along with examination questions for students to complete. (This can be found on Go4Schools).
- Students' RE class booklets contain revision materials and examination questions.
- GCSEPOD an online platform containing 'pods' to watch and then 'check and challenge' tasks to complete.
- **Revision World Website** contains past examination papers, mark schemes and reports, enabling students to self-mark their examination question responses.
- Flash cards made in class <u>essential</u> to learn key words so students can access core words to answer the examination questions. (Key words can also be found in class and revision booklets).

We wish the students every success in their examination and appreciate your support in directing them to the above resources. Please also encourage them to check Go4Schools regularly for any RE examination updates.

Should you have any questions, do please contact your child's RE teacher.

Kind regards

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