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Dear Year 11 Parents and Carers

Year 11 Frontline Living History Workshop, Wednesday 9th February

I wanted to write to you to advise you of some additional support we are providing for students to prepare them for the summer Edexcel GCSE History exam. This is support both at home and at school.

In school, we are currently assisting students by giving advice and feedback on their work to ensure that they are working to the best of their abilities in preparation for the exam. I would very much appreciate it if you could support your son/daughter at home by ensuring that all homework tasks are produced to a high quality. Students have been issued with a revision planner that divides the course into bitesize pieces of revision, and it is expected students will complete part of this every week.

As well as independent revision, I run a revision session on a Tuesday at lunchtime in HU1. These sessions will focus on the work from Year 10 and give students an opportunity to look at more exam questions and build their knowledge. Whilst attendance is not compulsory, it is highly recommended. If this time is not convenient, I am happy to work with students at another time, they just need to make me aware of when suits them.

Finally, an exciting opportunity has become available for us to have **Frontline Living History** come in to share with your child and enrich their knowledge on the Great War.

Part of the GCSE History exam course is a topic called *Medicine Through Time* which requires an environment study entitled *The British Sector of the Western Front 1914-1918: injuries, treatment and the trenches*. The two-hour workshop will take place in school on **Wednesday 9th February**. Students will be split into two groups with one group in the morning and one group in the afternoon.

The workshop is supported by hundreds of authentic artefacts, hands-on and role play activities and carefully-chosen period images and film; and – most importantly – they are based entirely upon the actual experiences of those who served Britain during the Great War. This is a fantastic opportunity for the students to have some hands-on learning and will greatly support their understanding of this topic.

Due to the cost of this workshop, we are asking for a contribution of £5 per person. Could I please ask that payment is made through **ParentMail +Pay**. If you wish to apply for financial assistance for this workshop please complete a Financial Support Application Form (available from Reception) as soon as possible. If your child is eligible for pupil premium, 50% of the cost will be subsidised. The payment deadline is Friday 4th February 2022.

We are constantly monitoring the ongoing COVID situation and government guidance on educational visits and we will make any changes necessary to ensure the safety of your child. Any changes that we do make, we will keep you informed.

If you have any further questions regarding this visit, then please do not hesitate to contact me:
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Yours faithfully
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