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Dear Year 11 Parents and Carers

## Year 11 Stop the Clock Day Information, Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November

On Monday, Year 11 will take part in a Stop the Clock Day event in school. The day is based around a series of workshops that are aimed to support students both in their academic and personal development.

**Session 1** is based around preparing for GCSE exams and effective revision techniques.

**Session 2** will focus on putting these revision skills into practice through revision of 'An Inspector Calls' so students will need to bring their notes on the play with them as they are guided through revision tasks.

Students will also participate in an interactive workshop live streamed by the Box Clever Theatre Company, supported by English staff. This exciting workshop will support students in exploring the play further and consolidating their knowledge of plot, themes and characters.

We are able to offer this Theatre Company event at a **reduced cost to students of £3**. A payment item for this will be available in ParentMail shortly – please ensure payment is made by **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November**.

**Session 3** (the afternoon) will then focus on Life Studies. Students will consider issues facing young people in the UK today. Sexism in modern society will be discussed through a recorded session with Grace Savage [Grace Savage \(gracesavageofficial.com\)](http://gracesavageofficial.com). The issue of Female Genital Mutilation will also be considered through a recorded presentation by Hibo Wardere (both these sessions were recently attended live by Sixth Form students and staff). Understandably both sessions contain descriptions that may be deemed by some students to be upsetting and staff will be on hand to speak with students should the need arise.

The final part of Session 3 will be around students considering some of the options open to them beyond GCSE.

We hope that students find the day informative, interesting and challenging. Full school uniform is required and normal school rules apply. Groupings and timings will be made available to students shortly. Should you have any concerns please do get in touch.

Thank you.

Mr Barnes

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