

February 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to ask for your support in helping our students to prepare for the PPE series in February 2018. The exams run from Tuesday 27th February to Friday 2nd March.

The exams will be conducted in a formal manner, simulating the conditions and requirements of the GCSE examinations they will be undertaking when they are older. The English, Mathematics, Science, Geography, History, Computing, French and Spanish examinations will take place in the sports hall under examination conditions, supervised by external invigilators.

In order to help them prepare effectively, perform to their best, and cope with the pressures involved with taking examinations, we are encouraging all of our students to set up a revision programme to commence over half term. In addition, we will support them in lessons over the preceding weeks and hope you will help us prepare your child for this important experience.

There is a list of topic areas to revise and a copy of the timetable on the Newquay Tretherras webpage and Facebook site. All subject areas have included information on Class Charts.

In assembly and form time just after half term I will make sure the students have the requirements for the examination days clearly explained to them so they are fully prepared. We all appreciate that this can be a potentially difficult and stressful time, but hope with effective, early preparation the students are able to develop strategies and build a resilient approach to examinations. We will reinforce that the students may experience some anxiety before and during the PPE week. It is natural to experience these feelings as they drive us to achieve our best.

If you have any questions relating to the exam period please get in touch via the year group email address of year8@tretherras.net

Yours sincerely,

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