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Dear parent / carer,

Ahead of the next round of PPEs I wanted to remind you of some key information to help your child be prepared.

PPE Content

During the PPEs your child will complete both English Language Papers (Fiction and Non-Fiction reading and writing). This means they will be examined on the whole of this course and as such need to take the PPEs seriously so that they, and their teachers, can get a clear indication of their current grade and what they need to do to improve. This will be used for college and sixth form applications which as you are aware expect all students to achieve their English and Maths GCSE.

For English Literature your child will answer questions on *A Christmas Carol* and *An Inspector Calls*. This is 50% of the course and is the opposite texts to what they did in their November PPEs. These texts are currently being revised in class as they have not been taught since the end of Y9 and the start of Y10.

To enable your child to be as successful as possible they need to be attending all available intervention sessions and be completing independent revision at home, including reading both texts fully and re-visiting Google Classroom resources.

Intervention

Whole class intervention is being run by each class teacher afterschool on a Thursday. The expectation has been set that all students will attend. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to consolidate their learning, ask any questions and practice their exam technique. Please ensure that your child is attending these sessions.

In addition to this we have an English Literature session that is running on a Thursday morning with Mrs Hyde. This group is by invitation only and your child should know if they are expected to be there. If you have any questions about these intervention sessions please contact your child's English teacher.

Additionally, there is always at least one English teacher at the Friday afternoon intervention that has been organised by Mr Pring. It has been excellent seeing so many pupils engaging with English work during these sessions so please encourage your child to come along if they have not been doing so.

What can I do to support my child?

To help your child at home please make sure they are revising and preparing for their PPEs. There are lots of resources on the Y11 Intervention Google Classroom for them and also on their usual English Google Classrooms including full exams to practice answering all of the questions to time.

Homework will be being set each week for pupils to complete so please make sure this is being done. There are a range of revision guides which cover all aspects of both English Language and English Literature available via wisepay. If you have any further questions about how best to support your child at home then please contact your child's English teacher.

Yours sincerely

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