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Dear Parents and Guardians

## **Easter GCSE Science Preparation**

As we approach the final few weeks of the GCSE course I have summarized below the activities which we feel would be advantageous for the boys to do over the Easter break and also in the subsequent weeks leading up to their Science exams.

The boys have just undertaken practice papers under exam conditions which have identified that, as expected, there are aspects of exam technique which can be further strengthened. The completion of past paper questions will be useful in helping them to improve still further.

### **Resource for the boys to use**

There are a number of helpful revision resources accessed via the school website and these can be found at this link:

<http://www.bws-school.org.uk/Curriculum-Exams/Science/Files/Y11Files/>.

In particular there are:

- Revision Checklists for each of their Sciences – you son has been given a hard copy but if he should lose it then a further copy exists in the file area. Boys should use this to help them identify areas where further focus is needed making sure that they have revised the whole of the course.
- Independent study guides - There are guides for each topic area for each of the Sciences. Each guide has the specification points for the topic, where appropriate there are links to Fuse school video tutorials. There are also a number of past paper questions and mark schemes. It is really important that where the past paper questions have been attempted that the boys then mark these questions using the answers in the guide. It is only then that they will appreciate where improvements to their answers can be made.

### **Easter homework for each Science**

**Biology:** Set 2 practice papers – boys will be given hard copies of paper 1 and paper 2 which should be answered and returned to school after the break.

**Chemistry:** Set 2 practice papers – links to the papers and mark schemes can be found on the file area. Boys are to do and mark paper 1 and paper 2 and return their scripts to school after the break.

**Physics:** Set 2 practice papers – links to the papers and mark schemes can be found on the file area. Boys are to do and mark paper 1 and paper 2 and return their scripts to school after the break.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any specific questions on how best your son can prepare for his examinations.

Yours sincerely



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