



Parents' Evening

Wednesday 15th January 2020





Welcome back

- Happy New Year
- Mocks completed – reflection time for students
- Timeline – 5 months
- Revision **must** start now.





Examinations

- Start at 9.00am in the morning – with a briefing in chapel before at 8.40am
- Afternoon start at 1.30pm – with a briefing in chapel before at 1.15pm
- Mrs Lisa Clinch – Examinations Officer contactable on lclinch@gordons.school





Examinations

- Individual timetables will be distributed.
- Take a copy and put it on the door of the fridge and build the dates into your diaries too.
- Every year at least one student forgets an examination.
- Try to develop a routine of calmness at home in the morning of an examination.





Examinations

- Be prepared and arrange:
 1. Clear pencil case and spare pens and pencils
 2. Calculator and other equipment
 3. Water bottle with label taken off





Parenting.... No real training

- Parenting is a challenge.
- Conflicts with teenagers are uncomfortable.
- Often easier to avoid them and give in.
- However, stand firm....
- They will thank you, eventually. Probably when they are 24!



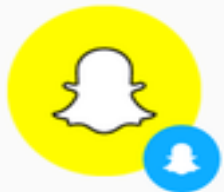
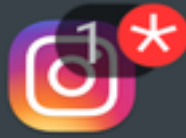


Downtime or a waste of time?





No break.... From them



Snapchat

5:03 PM

Savanna took a screenshot!



Pinterest

4:00 PM

You got 3 saves!



Instagram

5:03 PM



My suggestions

- Students should have quality revision time away from their phones and other sources of constant notifications.
- There needs to be structure to the revision and real purpose.
- It needs to start now.... Not in February.
- Attend clinics and Spring Term Revision.





But at times...

- Ensure that your sons and daughters have downtime.
- Support them at home.
- Ensure they sleep and eat well.
- If you are concerned about their welfare then contact the relevant Head of House.





Clinics and Spring Term Revision

- Dates and times were published in December.
- Please encourage participation.





Revision Timetable

- Start to devise one now
- 30 minutes of revision in addition to prep each weekday
- 8 hours over a weekend – 4 hours a day
- Work smartly





Targeted Parents' Evening

- Students and parents will be invited on
Thursday 26th March 2020
- **6pm in the Gym**





Holidays





Contacts at school

- Heads of House
- Mrs Forster – behavioural and pastoral concerns
- Teachers and Heads of Departments – subjects
- Ms Phillips – SENDCo (Taunton)
- Ms Pierce – Assistant Head (Curriculum)
- Mr Reeve – Deputy Head (Curriculum)





Results Day

- 10am
- Thursday 20th August
- First exam Monday 11th May

