

# Year 11 Parent Bulletin

## Tuesday 3rd February 2026



Thank you for your continued support and for taking the time to attend our recent Parents' Evening. Your involvement is greatly appreciated, particularly at this crucial stage of your child's GCSE journey.

We are incredibly proud of how positively our Year 11 students have engaged with Prep sessions over the past two weeks. Messages shared in assembly have focused on students being fully "locked in" for the remainder of the academic year in order to secure GCSE success, and this has been clearly reflected in the excellent attitudes and commitment shown across sessions.

Our independent revision sessions have focused on developing effective revision strategies, including the creation of flashcards and mind maps. There has been a strong emphasis on revision as an active process, as well as the importance of regularly revisiting materials to support secure knowledge retention and effective retrieval.



**Miss Dingwall**  
Head of Year 11

For your reference, the Year 11 Prep timetable is included below.



We would like to remind you that our Revision Ready Evening will take place on Thursday 5th February, from 4.00pm to 6.00pm. On this day, English Prep sessions will finish early to allow students to attend.



We would like to wish all Year 11 students performing in The Addams Family the very best of luck for their final Poltair performance, we are incredibly proud of you.



Finally, a date for your diary: PPE 2 will take place from 9th March. A detailed timetable will follow shortly.

## Year 11 Prep Sessions

	Week A	Week B
Tuesday	Maths	Maths
Wednesday	Physics, Biology & Chemistry	History, Geography & MFL
Thursday	English	English
Friday	Art & Vocational	Art & Vocational



## Message from Mrs Pearson

The Art Exam Launch will take place on Monday 26th January.

On this day, Year 11 students will receive their AQA GCSE Art examination paper along with a new sketchbook, marking the start of their journey towards the final examination in April.

This launch provides an important opportunity for a fresh start. Students will be expected to maintain a high standard of work from the outset as they explore, refine, and develop their ideas throughout the exam process.

The examination component is worth 40% of the final GCSE grade, making this a crucial element of the course.

To support students and families, a weekly breakdown of lesson content will be shared with both parents/carers and pupils. This will help students stay on track as they research, experiment, and develop their final outcomes.

In addition, two Super Saturday support sessions will be offered on 14th and 28th March, running from 11.00am–3.00pm, to provide extended time and guidance for students to further develop their work.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at [epearson@poltair.celtrust.org](mailto:epearson@poltair.celtrust.org).

## Message from Spanish

The upcoming PPE's for Spanish will be a full written examination, covering all themes.

Although it will take place during lesson time, it will count for 25% of the PPE2 grade, making it an important assessment for all students.

### PPE2 Spanish Writing Exam Dates

- 11A – Wednesday 4th February
- 11B – Thursday 5th February
- 11C – Friday 6th February

### PPE2 Spanish Speaking Exam Dates

- Wednesday 25th February
- Thursday 26th February

Individual speaking exam times will be shared directly with students by their class teacher.





# Year 11 Revision Ready Evening



Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2026



4:00pm - 6:00pm



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## What to expect:

- An introduction to PPE2 and the GCSE Exam Series presented by the Leadership Team
- Revision workshops designed to help you support your child effectively
- Opportunities to hone and take away valuable revision resources
- Wellbeing Support



All Year 11 students and parents/carers are strongly encouraged to attend!

We look forward to seeing you there.

