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Dear Parents

GCSE History Revision Classes for Year 11 (Modern World sets)

The History Department intends to run a series of revision sessions for any pupils following the Modern World syllabus who feel they would benefit from additional help in the run up to the public exams in January. They will be held after school on **Tuesdays** from 4pm to approximately 4.45 pm in M6. In previous years these have been run in the first half of the Summer Term before the start of public exams. Due however to the short period available in the Summer Term this year before study leave, some of the sessions will run in the latter part of the Spring Term. The first session will therefore take place on **Tuesday 22 March**. The sessions will aim to cover some of the main topics and skills covered during the GCSE course, and to provide the opportunity for pupils both to ask questions and to consolidate their knowledge base. The sessions will be run by various members of the History Department. The programme will follow the schedule below:

Tuesday 22 March Russia

Tuesday 29 March Nazi Germany

Tuesday 5 April International relations 1919-39

Tuesday 3 May Techniques and skills for both papers

Tuesday 10 May 'The Cold War' 1945-68

Experience from previous years suggests pupils can benefit considerably from these sessions in terms of grade improvement in the summer. Attendance at these classes is entirely voluntary, but will I hope prove useful as part of the revision process. A parallel set of classes is being organised for those identified as having significantly underperformed in the January exams, to whom individual letters have been sent.

If you have any questions or queries concerning these revision sessions or your son/daughter's progress in History, please do not hesitate to contact me at school, preferably by email (s.lemieux@pgs.org.uk).

Yours sincerely

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