

4th January 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Attached to this e-mail you will find a copy of a weekly homework booklet which all my students in Year 10 will commence using next week, beginning Monday 8th January. The students have been given a paper copy; I have sent you an electronic copy so you can see what needs to be covered and when.

The homeworks will necessitate students re-reading their set texts for their two Literature examinations on Tuesday 22nd and Friday 25th May. We will have sixteen school weeks from the beginning of January until these examinations, and I have broken the revision re-reading into the following blocks:

- An Inspector Calls: six weeks.
- A Christmas Carol: five weeks.
- Macbeth: five weeks.

Students who re-read their set texts prior to the examinations have a significantly improved possibility of achieving or exceeding their target grades.

I will speak to the students this week when the booklets are distributed, emphasising the need for a systematic approach towards revision. Also, I will emphasise that:

- If they are absent, they will already know what the homework for any given week will be. **Even in the face of absences, the tasks should still be completed (ideally the work should be e-mailed to me).**
- They can be proactive and work ahead of the booklets. In other words, if they have re-read An Inspector Calls over the Christmas break and they want to fill in the first six weeks of homeworks, then they can do so straightaway. I will only mark the booklets in terms of which revision week we are in (so, if it is week three but a student has already worked up to week six, I will only mark the week three response).

The homeworks will be marked each week. **If you would like to monitor how your child is getting on with their re-reading you will be able to look at their booklets.**

To help students with planning their workload, each of my two classes will have a designated submission day, which will allow them several days and Monday Period Five (personal study) to complete their work. The submission days will be:

- 10B3: Wednesday Period 2.
- 10R3: Thursday Period 2.

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact me on robinsonc@uffculmeschool.net.

Yours sincerely,



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