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Dear Parent/Carer

### **Year 10 History Controlled Assessment**

Having recently taken over the position of Head of History I am writing to inform you about the Controlled Assessment module that the students are currently working on. The History GCSE is comprised of four units and each of these is worth 25% of their final grade. The units on Medicine, Surgery and Nazi Germany will all be examinations at the end of Year 11 with the other 25% of the final grade coming from a Controlled Assessment.

The Controlled Assessment itself is divided up into three different questions. The students are able to prepare for these in lessons with the actual write up occurring in exam conditions within a lesson. The first of the three questions will be completed in Year 10 with the other two being completed in the first few months of Year 11. The specific dates for the first write up can be seen below.

Mr Jeffries' class – Wednesday 24th June  
Miss Hill's class – Friday 26th June  
Miss Robinson's class – Friday 26th June

Please note that due to exam board regulations there is no opportunity for students to re-sit any of the three questions. All three members of staff will be providing after school research sessions for the students to carry out extra research and planning. These will take place Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June through to Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June and run from 3.15pm to roughly 4.30pm. A significant aspect of the Controlled Assessment is wider reading and research and we actively encourage students to attend these extra sessions so that they can widen their knowledge of the topics that they will be assessed on.

For the first question the students can take a plan and set of notes into the final write up. They will be able to take a photocopy of these home with them before the write up and we suggest that students use these to practise writing at home in timed conditions (60 minutes) as this should make the actual write much easier.

If you have any questions about the Controlled Assessment module or what your son/daughter needs to do to achieve their target grade, then please do not hesitate to contact me on the email address given below.

Yours faithfully

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