



Church of England School
Executive Head and CEO: Dr Hilary Macaulay

31st March 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

Underachievement in Year 11 Chemistry

Your child has sat two PPE Chemistry papers this year (December and March) and has significantly underachieved compared to their Target Minimum Grade (2 or more below TMG). This is a cause for concern and may be down to poor exam technique and/or inadequate understanding of the topics studied.

In order to help your child get back on track with their expected attainment, they will be required to attend weekly 30 minute intervention sessions (every Thursday from 3.00pm to 3.30pm). Your child will be **required to attend all these intervention sessions** that will start on Thursday 21st April at 3.00pm in ZS05. May I also emphasize that this is meant to support your child to achieve at least their target minimum grade in Chemistry.

The focus of these sessions will be to support students with their knowledge and understanding of key concepts and exam technique. In the exam session, your child will complete several exam questions, after which they will reflect on their performance and make any corrections. It would be extremely beneficial for your child to seek help from other Chemistry teachers in the department should they require it.

In addition, students must complete their learning grids for both Paper 1 and Paper 2 to ensure that they have a better understanding of the concepts covered. These are available on TEAMS. Students should also use:

1. Cognito resources - [Cognito Resources - Past Papers - GCSE > Videos > Chemistry > AQA](#)
2. MyGCSEscience - [Login - My GCSE Science \(my-gcsescience.com\)](#)

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me, sngochi@bishopramsey.school, or alternatively you can contact me by phone on the school number.

Yours sincerely,

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