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Dear Parents / Carers,

English Language Drop Down Morning

We are writing to inform you that Year 11 students will take part in a drop-down morning on Friday 13th March to complete Component 3: Spoken Language of their Eduqas GCSE English Language qualification.

This component is a compulsory requirement of the GCSE and students must complete it in order to receive their English Language GCSE award. Failure to complete the Spoken Language assessment results in a "Not Classified" outcome on this element, which is recorded on their certificate.

About Eduqas English Language Component 3 (Spoken Language)

Component 3 requires students to:

- Deliver a formal presentation on a topic of their choice.
- Demonstrate clarity, organisation, engagement, and an ability to communicate effectively.
- Respond to questions posed by a teacher or small audience.
- Show evidence of planning and preparation, including the use of notes or visual aids if appropriate.

Students are assessed on:

- Content and organisation of ideas
- Use of spoken language techniques
- Clarity and fluency of delivery
- Ability to respond to questions and feedback

The assessment is conducted under controlled conditions and is graded as Pass, Merit, Distinction, or Not Classified.

What students need to do before 13th March

To ensure success, students are expected to arrive fully prepared, having:

- Selected their presentation topic
- Planned and structured their speech
- Produced revision notes or cue cards
- Rehearsed and practised their delivery in advance
- Considered possible follow-up questions





Completion of the Spoken Language component on this drop-down morning is essential. Please support your child in preparing for this assessment to ensure they are confident and ready to perform on the day.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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Head of Department

