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Dear Parent/Guardian

The English Department will be running an Easter Revision Day for Year 11 pupils on Tuesday 10th April in The Sixth Form Centre. The day will begin at 10.00 and run to 3.15 with takeaway pizza lunch and a range of refreshments provided.

On the day, pupils will have the opportunity to attend their choice of workshops where they will be given concrete ideas to improve their exam technique, revision tips and an opportunity to practise and receive feedback from English teachers.

Due to the popularity of the day, we require pupils to pre-book the workshops they wish to attend. We will attempt to accommodate as many pupils as possible and will run sessions more than once throughout the day but will have to operate on a first come, first served basis. Therefore, we would urge your son/daughter to look carefully at the workshop descriptions attached to this letter and to make their choices as soon as possible. They should select their four main choices and also indicate a reserve, in case of workshops being booked-up.

Slips must be returned via the blue box or can be passed directly to Mrs Woodhouse in the English Workroom. We regret that we cannot accommodate pupils who have not pre-booked.

Yours faithfully,

Miss M Hayes
Lead Practitioner; English KS4 Manager

Year 11 Easter Revision Day: Tuesday 10th April 2018

Please select four workshops you wish to take part in on the day as well as a reserve choice. Post this in the blue box labelled 'Year 11 Easter Revision Day' or pass directly to Mrs Woodhouse.

Workshop	First choice (tick 4)	Reserve (tick 1)
Prose Writing Ideas		
Writing Hacks		
Reading Hacks		
Understanding Unseen Poetry		
Analysing Poetry		
AO2 and AO4 Reading Questions		

Name: _____ Tutor Group: 11 _____

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English Easter Revision Workshops

Prose Writing Ideas

You know that you need some prepared prose ideas which you can adapt in the exam, but do you have any? This workshop will help you to create a simple but effective story with a twist and to adapt this for different tasks in the exam.

Writing Hacks

In this workshop you will learn and practise some writing techniques which can make a huge difference to any prose and transactional text. They are very simple and very effective.

Reading Hacks

If you sometimes find it difficult to quickly read the unseen texts in the Language exams, this workshop can help. You will learn some quick and easy techniques to break down and interpret different types of fiction and nonfiction.

Understanding Unseen Poetry

A completely unfamiliar poem can be very daunting for anyone. In this workshop you will learn skills to enable you to read and understand any poem you are given.

Analysing Poetry

You need to be able to analyse poetry you've never seen before as well as poems from your Anthology. This workshop will give you some tips on what to pick out to analyse, how to plan a response and will allow you to practise some analysis.

A02 and A04 Reading Questions

There are a lot of different assessment objectives in the reading sections of the English exams. A02 (analysing language) and A04 (evaluation) are the toughest two and are assessed at least once on each paper. In this workshop you will look at how to make sure you display the skills needed in the short time you have in the exam.