



6th March 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian

GCSE Spanish Writing Controlled Assessment

I am writing to inform you that on Wednesday 29th March your son/daughter will have his/her final GCSE Spanish Writing Controlled Assessment. This assessment is worth 15% of the final GCSE grade. Drama pupils will complete their assessment on Tuesday 28th March.

Pupils are already making good progress with the learning of their paragraphs, having produced draft pieces which have been corrected. They have known about the date of the assessment for some time and their first paragraphs were completed back in January in order to give students as much time as possible to learn their paragraphs. It is a long process and so they will need to try their utmost to secure their desired grade. Consequently, independent work at home above and beyond the usual amount will be required between now and their assessment.

In order to help pupils I have given them various deadlines to learn individual paragraphs. In addition, I have informed them of various times between now and the exam when they can come at lunch and/or after-school if they find it hard to revise at home.

Pupils can sometimes feel a little overwhelmed during this time but experience shows that pupils who remain calm but work hard and rest well are capable of doing very well. I would therefore recommend working on this daily in short-sharp bursts, tackling small bits at a time rather than trying to learn everything at the last minute which can cause pupils to panic a little and/or feel stressed. I am confident that with hard-work your son/daughter will make a real success of this assessment.

If you have any questions regarding any of the aforementioned then please do not hesitate to call me in school or email me. Thank you in advance for your support.

Yours sincerely

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