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Dear Parent/Carer

Happy New Year to all our Year 11 families. I hope that this is a successful and healthy year for all of our Year 11 students. We are going to revert from the weekly Bulletin to the half termly newsletter, but I wanted to get in touch with some key messages.

I am delighted to be able to confirm that all students completed their applications by the deadline, and we were able to upload the qualifications and references before checking and submitting the applications on Monday. Students can track the process by logging into My Choice. They should receive notification of guidance meetings during the coming weeks and then start to accept offers. These should all be in place by Easter. I would like to remind you that students can accept more than one offer and do not need to finalise their destination until the summer when they have received their results.

You should have received both your child's latest report and an invitation to book an appointment with your child's tutor to discuss this. The report includes information about the assessments that took place last time and a revised set of forecast grades. I hope that you can attend 'meet the tutor' online and it is useful to focus on improvements that can be made in the coming weeks and months. There will be a second round of mocks this term and I wanted to share the date in advance with you. They will begin on Monday 28th February and due to run for 2 weeks. Many subjects are revising in class and setting revision as homework. Some subjects offer targeted and general revision sessions, and your child should be aware of these. If you are unsure and feel that your child may benefit, then please contact your child's subject teacher. In addition, there are videos regarding revision for each video on the Ely College YouTube channel as well as many resources on the class Teams.

After today's assembly, I will be distributing a leaflet with some key messages around revision. It can also be found on the website [Success in your Exams](#) Some students have found this revision booster course useful too [Revision Skills](#)

Finally, I will continue to remind students of the importance of looking after themselves during these tricky months. Working hard and achieving potential are important but being happy and healthy are also very important. If you know your child is struggling, please do get in touch so that we can support and signpost further actions that might be useful.

Yours faithfully

Mrs R Mustill
Assistant Principal

