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Dear Parent/Carers of STUDENT

Year 11 GCSE Drama – Rehearsal Schedule

As you will be aware, our Year 11 GCSE Drama students have been working very hard to prepare for their upcoming performance in front of an examiner for their Component 2 Performance on Wednesday 11th March. To support our students as much as we can, I have arranged for some rehearsals after-school which are important that your child attends. If there is any reason that your child cannot attend the Monday rehearsals in March, please let me know by either emailing me (dsouthern@penistone-gs.uk) or asking your child to speak with me. It would be very gratefully appreciated if any potentially moveable appointments (e.g. haircuts) are rearranged to accommodate.

- **Monday 23rd February:** Inset Day. Year 11 students will have the opportunity to come into school to rehearse. The department will be open from 12pm-5pm. This is an optional rehearsal but would greatly benefit students.
- **Tuesday 24th February:** This is also an optional rehearsal but is very highly recommended. It will give us time back that we have lost from missing our double period lesson due to the Inset Day the day before (particularly if some full groups have not been able to attend during the Inset Day). Rehearsals will be from 3pm-5pm.
- **Monday 2nd March:** Every student should attend this so that I can confirm tech, set, sound and time all run-throughs. This rehearsal will also be from 3pm-5pm.
- **Monday 9th March:** This is the last time that I will see the students all together after school before their exam on the Wednesday. It is very important that your child attends this rehearsal so that we can ensure that all are fully confident and prepared for their exam, including lines, candidate numbers, and all other admin.

Expectations

As these rehearsals are after-school, it is recommended that students bring any costume and props to practise in. Mobile phones will not be allowed out during the rehearsal, unless used as a prop/for music during the rehearsal process. Students are encouraged to bring a drink and a snack if they wish.

Thank you for all the support that you have continued to show over the past two years. I understand and appreciate there may be some inconvenience with regards to later pick-up times, but I believe that the students will appreciate all the additional time and support that we can offer them.

Many thanks,

Mr Southern