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Mandarin Excellence Programme – Y10 update (HSK3 Exam)

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Dear Parent / Carer

As you may be aware, one of the benefits of studying on the Mandarin Excellence Programme (MEP) is that students have the opportunity to gain an additional Chinese language proficiency qualification alongside their GCSE in Chinese. The HSK (Hanyu Shuiping Kaoshi) is the key language proficiency qualification recognized by institutions across China, and the MEP programme anticipates that Year 10 students will sit the HSK3 exam this year as part of their Chinese learning journey.

The HSK3 exam is scheduled for **Wednesday afternoon, 14 May**.

At Crossley Heath, Year 10 MEP students receive two and a half curriculum hours of Chinese teaching per week. These lessons focus primarily on covering the GCSE course content in preparation for their final exam at the end of Year 11. Students are expected to study and prepare for the HSK3 exam independently.

To help with their preparation, we have been offering HSK3 lessons, focusing on grammar and exam techniques specific to the HSK3 test, which students have been benefitting from since October.

In addition, to support their preparation, students have access to a wealth of online learning resources, including recommended websites and apps they have already been introduced to, available on Teams. All students have also been provided with an HSK3 vocabulary booklet to support their revision.

Please encourage your son/daughter to make use of these resources and prepare thoroughly for the exam.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully

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