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Dear Families

As the GCSE exams are approaching, I thought it would be useful to suggest ways to support your child in advance of their GCSE German exams. I understand that parents are keen to offer help in this period but sometimes languages can be difficult to support from home.

The German speaking exams are taking place shortly after the Easter holidays on Tuesday 8 and Wednesday 9 May. There are three sections: a role play, a photo card description and a general conversation. For the general conversation all students are aware of the questions they could be asked and have been preparing their answers over recent months. Your child can access these questions on Firefly and their answers are on Google Docs. I have given students regular opportunities to hand in their answers for correction. Students should have all three themes completed by the end of the Easter holiday. For your information their response to each question should be three or four sentences long. It would be helpful if you could spend some time practising these questions and answers with them.

The reading, listening and writing papers are at the end of the exam period and I will continue to teach lessons up until the exam. At home, students have access to the textbook online via Pearson Active Learn. There are numerous online materials to support revision on each chapter. This can be found at <https://www.pearsonactivelearn.com/app/Home>

Your child can login using their school Gmail account. The password is teddington%

Students also have access to www.vocabexpress.com which covers all the vocabulary from the GCSE course and, at this stage, students should know their own login details.

I am running revision sessions on Tuesdays after school and on Friday mornings. These sessions focus on developing grammar skills for the writing exam and will focus on speaking exam preparation after Easter. All students can attend these sessions.

You can purchase the AQA Revision Workbook and Revision Guide for £5 through the Modern Foreign Languages Department at Teddington School.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions by email:

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Yours faithfully

Mr Garrett