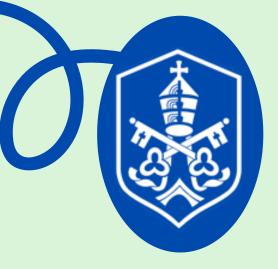
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### MOVE MORE FOR GOOD MENTAL HEALTH

The theme of this year's Mental Health Awareness Week is "Movement: Moving more for our mental health"

Physical activity is great for our mental health. When we exercise, our bodies release a natural hormone called 'endorphins', which can improve your mood. This term, why not reduce the time you spend sitting or lying down with some activity!

### SPEND SOME TIME DOING ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING

- Walking to school or walking the dog
- Physical education
- · Sports, like football or tennis
- Swimming
- Skipping
- Dancing
- Skateboarding or rollerblading
- Cycling

### PHYSICAL ACTIVITY HELPS YOUR MENTAL HEALTH BY:

- Managing stress
- Improving your mood
- Improving sleep
- Improving self-esteem
- Reducing anxiety
- Encouraging you to set and achieve goals
- Helping you meet new people and spend time with others

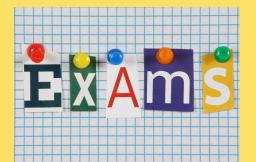
#### TIPS FOR YOU











#### **GCSES**

Our Year 11 pupils will be starting their GCSE examinations in the coming weeks. To help support them during, what can be, a very stressful time, please find some top tips below.

## Looking after yourself while preparing for an exam:

- Find a study group
- Make a revision timetable
- Work in the best way for you
- Revise in the best place for you

## Looking after yourself during exam period:

- Make time for things you enjoy
- · Talk to others about how you feel
- Try to find balance
- Take care of your physical health
- Focus on yourself



# Looking after yourself on the day of your exam:

- Prepare your items the night before
- Start your day the best you can
- Ground yourself with a breathing exercise
- Take your time
- Remind yourself that it'll be over
   soon

## Looking after yourself after your exam:

- Try not to compare your answers to others
- Reward yourself
- Focus on next steps
- Relax before your next exam

#### REMEMBER!

Check out this month's calendar for simple ways to get moving and stay active and healthy.

https://actionforhappiness.org/calendar

