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Church of England School
Headteacher: Mr A J Wilcock MA (Cantab)

20th November 2014

Dear Parent/Carer

Core Science – Controlled Assessment (ISA)

An important component of Core Science is the Controlled Assessment (ISA). This represents the 'coursework' element of the GCSE courses and is worth **25% of Core Science**.

All students studying Core Science in Year 11 are being given the opportunity to complete a real Controlled Assessment (ISA) on **Wednesday 17th December 2014** during the trial exam period. This will allow students to complete this in one day, rather than over several lessons. Your child will be completing preparation work for this ISA during lessons before this time.

It is vital that your child attends this day as the Controlled Assessment papers are GCSE examinations. They should arrive at the relevant Lab by 9.10am, where they will be registered. Students that do not attend will not be given another opportunity to carry this Controlled Assessment out at another time. The ISA will last from Periods 1-5 during which time your child will complete the planning section, sit Papers 1 and 2 and take part in the practical session. All students who have special considerations such as ICT and extra time will be accommodated to meet their specified needs.

Your child should:

- Arrive on time, in full school uniform and go straight to the relevant Lab – they will be given this information in lessons.
- Bring a lab coat, two black pens, a pencil, ruler and calculator.
- Have spent time revising the ISA keywords and looking over the practice materials that they have been given in lessons.

Please complete the reply slip below to confirm that you have received this letter and acknowledge that your child is required to attend school on this day.

Yours faithfully

Ms N Pittaway
Deputy Head of Science



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**Please complete and return to Mrs Pittaway in the Science Office
by Monday 1st December**

Student's Name: _____ Form: _____

I confirm that I have read the information regarding the Controlled Assessment (ISA) on
17th December and I am aware that my child must attend on this day.

Signed: _____ Print Name: _____
(parent/carer)

Date: _____