

15 October 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Mock Exams - Timetable

After the half-term break students in Year 11 will return to two weeks of mock exams. This is an opportunity for students to understand their areas of strength and for development and will also inform teachers' curriculum plans for the final months of study. I attach to this letter a copy of the mock timetable so that you can help your child plan their revision, they have also been provided with a personalised timetable showing the exams that they have specifically been entered for.

Mock Exams – Malpractice

In the mock exams we expect students to be acting with the same level of integrity as they would for the actual exam series. In the actual examination series, any breach of the rules would result in a disqualification from the qualification being imposed on the candidate. For the mock series we will omit any assessment where a student has breached the rules and, in some cases, will need to report it to the exam board. Students will be removed from the exam hall without warning and if necessary, will be asked to re-sit.

Malpractice includes:

- Having banned items on them during the exam. e.g. A mobile phone, ear buds or revision notes
- Talking during the exam
- Turning around to face another candidate

October Half-Term Revision

The two-week October half term provides a great opportunity for students to prepare for the mocks. Teachers will be setting revision-based homework for completing over the break. Maths, English and Science will set 3 hours each and all other subjects 2 hours. This should mean that students should be working for approximately 2 hours a day. All work will be set via Teams and Classcharts.

Year 11 Progress Evening

Progress Evening will take place on 11th December. This will be the final opportunity to talk about your child's progress and what they need to do to ensure they achieve the best they can in May/June. This really is a crucial date and one that we sincerely urge you to attend; a united front with parent, teacher and student is very powerful, particularly with their exams getting ever closer. Please save this date and we will be back in touch a couple of weeks before about how to book appointments.

Yours faithfully,

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