



19<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

## **Year 11 mock examinations January 2024**

Further to the mock examination timetable recently sent out to parents, please find below arrangements for Year 11 mock examinations in January 2024. Students will undertake full mock examinations from **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024 until Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2024**.

Those students studying vocational subjects will complete assessments for these after February half term. More details will follow in the new year.

## **Full mock examinations 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024 – 25<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

The purpose of the January mock examinations is to provide both students and teachers alike with information regarding students' current understanding as well as any gaps in their knowledge across all subjects. It is imperative that students take the mock examinations very seriously both in terms of their preparation and conduct. Subject teachers will be undertaking the marking and moderation of the examinations, with the exception of one Maths and one English paper which will be externally marked by experienced examiners to support with the assurance of grades.

Full timetable for the January Mock Exams is attached.

## **JCQ regulations**

During the core mock examination students will be adhering to the JCQ regulations. As per examination regulations, students must write in black biro and store all equipment in a transparent pencil case. For Mathematics and Science exams students are also required to bring subject specific equipment such as a calculator, ruler and protractor. Regarding electronic devices, in particular mobile phones, these must not be in the possession of the student nor inside the examination room; all such items must be handed in prior to the exam. Under DFE contingency guidance, following the examination marking, student exam papers can be shared with students during feedback lessons but must remain in school.

## **Arrangements**

As mock examinations will be spread across three weeks for some candidates, study leave will **not** be allowed for students during these examinations. Students are expected to arrive at school for **8.30am** each morning and as per their usual routine hand any mobile phones in to tutors to store securely. Students will attend their usual timetable lessons when they do not have an exam. Students will receive further details on these arrangements via assembly and form tutors.

## **Support with revision**

Further to the core mock examinations in the Autumn Term students will receive a Question Level Analysis (QLA) from Maths, English and Science. The QLA is bespoke to your child and gives a clear indication of topic areas where marks were gained or lost across each exam. Students are able to then focus their revision on those specific areas of development to move them forward and take control of their own learning. Please do look out for the QLAs your child will be bringing home.

As a reminder, the following are also available to all Year 11 throughout this academic year:

- Log in to GCSEPod for all students using their school email address
- Priority access to the library for Year 11 at lunchtime for quiet study Monday – Friday
- After school access to the library for quiet study 3pm – 4pm Monday – Thursday, 3pm-3.30pm Fridays.
- Our school shop is open for students to purchase revision guides at lunchtime and break time.

## **Morning Revision sessions**

Subjects will be delivering a 'Breakfast Revision Session' in the Drama Hall, each morning before a mock exam. Students will be provided with a drink and snack. Sessions will run from 8am until 8:30am. These are designed to focus and prepare the students for the exam that will follow at 8:45am.

The sessions will run as follows:

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> – Biology

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> – English Language

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> – Geography

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> – Computer Science or PE

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> – Chemistry

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> – English Language

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – DT or Dance

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> – English Literature

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> – Physics

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> – Drama

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> – Food Technology

Thank you in advance for your support; please do not hesitate to contact myself, your child's form tutor or Mr Snowdon should you have any queries regarding your child's mock examinations.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Spencer



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Mr Snowdon



Head of Year 11