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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11 Mock Examinations

Year 11 Mock Examinations will take place between **Monday 23rd November and Friday 4th December 2026**. Students have been reminded of the exam arrangements and expectations in an assembly with Mrs Hazzard, Head of Year 11 and Mr Heggs. Assistant Headteacher, last week. An individual timetable has been produced by our examinations manager, Mrs Day, for all students to assist them in organising their time during the mock period. It contains information about the subjects they study, the length of the exam paper, the examination location and their seat number.
On the back of this letter is a generic version of the timetable to assist students in planning their revision timetables during the examinations. We believe that it is important for students to plan carefully their revision time ahead of and during the mock examinations so that they develop good habits ahead of the final summer assessments.

During the mock examinations;

- Students are expected to arrive in school from 8:25 in full school uniform whether they have a morning exam or not.
- As a minimum, students will need to bring a black pen (plus spare), pencil and a ruler for every examination, and keep their equipment in a clear, plastic pencil case.
- Maths and science exams will also require a scientific calculator.
- We encourage all students to have a reusable water bottle, which again, should be clear.

Some of the afternoon examinations may finish before the end of the formal school day (2:45).
We allow students to leave the building before 2:45 if that is the case.
It is also possible that examinations can run over 2:45 and so it is important that students look at the length of each exam and the implications for travelling home or other after school activities.
If they **do not** have an afternoon examination, students finish school at the normal time.
To support students during the two-week mock window, all period 6 sessions are cancelled.
Period 6, including the compulsory English sessions will begin again from **Monday 7th December.**

These examinations are an important part of the journey towards the end of GCSEs and will influence subject decisions regarding levels of entry for the Summer 2027 in subjects such as Maths and languages.
They will give teachers, students and parent/carers important information relating to the current areas of strength, and potential areas for development.
We would also like to remind students that just as in the actual GCSE exams in Year 11, students missing papers will not be able to take them in an exam room at a later date.
Should you wish to discuss any aspect of the examination process please feel free to contact the school, initially through the Head of Year team.

Yours Faithfully,

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Timetable for Year 11 Mock Exams 2026

	Morning Exam	Afternoon Exam
Monday 23rd November	English language P2	Biology
Tuesday 24th November	Sports Studies / GCSE Music /BTEC ICT	Mathematics P1
Wednesday 25th November	Geography P1 and P3	Chemistry
Thursday 26th November	History P1	Languages P1
Friday 27th November	Mathematics P2	GCSE Drama / DT/ BTEC Construction
Monday 30th November	English literature P1	Geography P2
Tuesday 1st December	Religious Studies	Mathematics P3
Wednesday 2nd December	Staff Training Day	Staff Training Day
Thursday 3rd December	Physics	History P3
Friday 4th December	Languages P2	Food and Nutrition/ Computer Science

- You are expected to arrive at school for registration at the usual time (from 8:25) in your full school uniform.
- You should bring the equipment that you will require for any examinations, plus any lessons you may have that day.
- Morning examinations begin after tutor time at 9:00, you will be escorted to the exam rooms from 8:50.
- Year 10 will have their morning break 11:00 – 11:15 and their lunch break 12:15 – 12:45 during the examinations, whether you have an examination that day or not.
- Afternoon examinations begin after 12:45 lunch. Once an afternoon examination is over, you should leave the school site.
- If you do not have an afternoon examination, you will leave school at the end of period 5 (2:45) as usual.
- Please note: this is the full mock timetable. You will not study all these subjects. You will complete the core of English, Maths and Science, plus any subjects that you have opted for that have an examination at this time.