

20<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

### **Year 11 Mock Examinations**

Year 11 students will be sitting mock examinations in many of their subjects from Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November. Most of these will take place in the Sports Hall and students will be expected to conduct themselves as they will in their real examinations. It is a good opportunity for students to experience this before the summer.

Students should begin to think about a revision programme if they haven't already done so. This can include half term, although we appreciate that rest and relaxation needs to be encouraged over the half term break too. Lunchtime and Session 6 revision classes will continue after half term and we encourage students to take advantage of these.

Please encourage your children to take these mock examinations seriously as their performance will help teachers make their final predictions that will be used on their UCAS Progress applications to post-16 centres. Courses have clear entry requirements and students are unlikely to be offered places if their predictions do not match these entry requirements.

There is an overview of the examinations that will occur in the two-week period and then the timetable and exam expectations follow.

**English Language** - Paper 1 (Reading and Writing Non-Fiction)

**English Literature** - Paper 1 (Macbeth and A Christmas Carol). Closed-book, extract based analysis questions.

**Maths** - Paper 1 will be non-calculator paper and Paper 2 will be a calculator paper. Please ensure that you bring mathematical equipment (both papers) and a scientific calculator (paper 2) to the exams. As these are full papers it is likely that students will encounter some questions on topics that they have not yet covered. Students are encouraged to read these carefully and attempt to answer them as they could earn marks on the early part of the questions. Please be aware that the results will be used to inform any changes to students' maths set or tier of entry as necessary.

**Biology** – Paper 1 (Units 1-4)

**Chemistry** – Paper 1 (Units 1-5)

**Physics** – Paper 1 (Units 1-4)

**Geography** – Students will be examined on the whole of Unit 1 (Physical Geography that was taught in year 10), they will also be examined on Section A of Unit 2.

**History** – Students will be examined on Paper 1 (Warfare and London during the Blitz) and Paper 2 (Norman Conquest). They will not be examined on their current unit of study, Weimar and Nazi Germany.

**MFL** - Students will have mocks on two skills only; Paper 1 Listening and Paper 4 Writing. These could include any of the modules and themes covered in their GCSEs.

**Computer Science** - Paper 1 – will include all topics studied in unit 1 (Computer systems) since year 10. Paper 2 – will include all topics studied in unit 2 (Computational thinking, algorithms and programming) since year 10. None of these exams will include topics that have not yet been covered. You cannot use a calculator in either exam.

**ICT** – Students will be examined on Unit R001 (understanding computer systems) in preparation for their January exam. Like in the actual exam, you will be given a case study scenario to focus on.

**Health and Social Care** - The exam is based on work done during Year 10 – PIES development infancy through to later adulthood, life events, support available, self-concept.

**GCSE Business Studies** - Students will have two papers based on fictional business scenarios. There will be question around the topics of starting a business, business organization and ownership, marketing and people in business. These topics can appear on both papers.

**BTEC Business** - *This will be a written examination for targeted students and will cover the Unit 2 Finance module.*

**Economics** – This will be a written examination covering Unit 11 which was taught during Year 10 and the first portion of Unit 12 which has been delivered during the autumn term of Year 11.

**Media** – Question 1 (key features of a lifestyle magazine), Question 2 (analysis of colour, language, layout and typography) and Question 3 (Representation) of the exam. The students will be analysing an unseen magazine extract.

**Product Design** - Section A is based on the prep paper and the theme for this is on 'Children's nursery'. Section B is based on general knowledge and understanding on the Product Design specification.

**Resistant Materials** - Section A is based on the preparation paper and the theme for this is on 'gardening tools'. Section B is based on general knowledge and understanding on the Resistant Materials specification.

**Music** – A listening paper.

**Drama** – Students will have two practical mock exams to prepare for their actual exam on 7th December. They will take place in the drama studios and students should bring in comfortable clothing to change into.

**PE** - Paper 1: Physical Factors affecting Performance includes the anatomy and physiology and physical training units of work. Paper 2: Socio-cultural issues and Sports Psychology includes sports psychology, socio-cultural influences and health, fitness and well-being units.

**RE** – The exam will consist of four questions on Christianity Practices, The Existence of God, Human Rights and Social Justice and Islam Practices.

**PWL** - The mock exam will be covering Health and Safety, Enterprise, Healthy Life Styles, Computer Technology, Self-Awareness, First Aid and Personal Finance.

**Hospitality** – This is just for three students who missed the exam in the summer term of Year 10.

If you have any questions about revision plans, lunchtime and Session 6 revision classes, mock examinations or predicted grades, please do get in touch. We want to support your child to get the best outcomes that they can.

Yours faithfully



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## 2017 - YEAR 11 MOCK EXAM TIMETABLE

	<b>Session 1</b> Arrive 8:45am Start 9:00am	<b>Session 2</b> Arrive 12:50pm Start 1:00pm
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November</b>	GCSE Drama 2h <i>Arrive after assembly</i>	GCSE Business – Paper 01 BTEC Business 1 h
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November</b>	GCSE English Literature 1h 45	GCSE Maths – Paper 01 Non-Calculator 1h 30
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November</b>	GCSE French Listening and Writing Foundation Tier: 1h 40 Higher Tier: 2h 5	GCSE Computer Science - 01 1h  BTEC Hospitality & Catering NCFE Food & Cookery 1h 15
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November</b>	GCSE Product Design GCSE Resistant Materials 2h  GCSE Economics 1h 45	GCSE Maths – Paper 02 Calculator 1h 30
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November</b>	GCSE English Language 1h 45	GCSE History – Paper 1 1h 15
<b>Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November</b>	GCSE Geography 2h 15	GCSE PE Paper 2 1h  Prep for Working Life GCSE Drama 1h 30
<b>Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November</b>	GCSE German Listening and Writing Foundation Tier: 1h 40 Higher Tier: 2h 5	GCSE Business – Paper 02 GCSE Computer Science - 02 1h
<b>Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November</b>	GCSE RE 2h	GCSE PE Paper 2 CAMNAT ICT 1h  GCSE Music 1h 30
<b>Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November</b>	GCSE Spanish Listening and Writing Foundation Tier: 1h 40 Higher Tier: 2h 5	GCSE History – Paper 2 50 minutes



<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December</b>	GCSE Science - Biology Triple Science 1h 45 Combined Science 1h 15		GCSE Media GCSE Health & Social Care 1h
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December</b>	GCSE Science - Chemistry Triple Science 1h 45 Combined Science 1h 15		
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December</b>	GCSE Science - Physics Triple Science 1h 45 Combined Science 1h 15		

**PLEASE NOTE EARLY LUNCH FROM 12:15pm – 12:45pm on all days.**

## EXAMS INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

- Please make sure that you know which exams you are taking and arrive promptly.
- It is important that you bring all the equipment you need to each exam – eg BLACK pens, pencil, ruler, calculator.....
- You must not attempt to communicate with other students at any time during the exam.
- Mobile phones, smartwatches, iPods, MP3/4 players or any potential technological/web enabled sources of information are NOT allowed in the exam rooms. Please make sure they are in your bags and are TURNED OFF. Possession of unauthorised items is an infringement of the regulations and could result in disqualification.
- Check the exams noticeboard for any updated or further information regarding your exams.
- If you have any questions or a **clash of exams**, please see Miss Osborne (Examinations Officer) as soon as possible.

