

19 January 2023

Year 11 Mock Examinations

Dear Parent or Carer,

We are writing to inform you that all students in Year 11 will take pre-public GCSE/BTEC exams (Mocks) across all subjects from Monday 23 January to Friday 3 February 2023 inclusive. Your child has received their personalised timetables and examination details.

By introducing students to formal exams at an early stage, we help them to become familiar with the strict examination protocol and thereby ease any feelings of anxiety or apprehension. Both our mocks and actual GCSEs will be staffed by external invigilators who follow very closely the strict examination protocol set by the Joint Council for Qualifications. We follow these regulations closely in all internal mock examinations to enhance the experience and also simulate the actual examination conditions.

Students who are not able to adhere to our procedures and expectations will be sanctioned and will do the test again in its entirety after school.

During the assessment period, students should attend school every day as normal. It is important that students take these Mocks extremely seriously, as it gives them the opportunity to experience exam questions before their official exams in summer. Period 6 (P6) will be suspended for these two weeks and will resume after the mocks have been completed.

The results of these Mocks will help to measure progress towards targets, establish predicted grades, inform teaching staff of specific gaps that need addressing and allow us to plan for appropriate intervention. After the assessment period, students will receive a summary sheet of their Mock results as well as predicted and target grades and PRIDE scores.

Should you require further information or additional assistance in supporting your child, please contact specific subject teachers and progress leaders.

Kind regards

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