



18th October 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

YEAR 11 MOCK EXAMINATIONS W/C 5TH NOVEMBER 2018

The week commencing 5th November 2018 sees the beginning of the Mock Examinations for Year 11. The exams are designed to prepare the students for the rigour of the GCSE's they will face in the summer. Your child will need to be fully prepared if they are to make the best use of this time and provide teachers with accurate information on which they can base any interventions if they are required.

Please find on the reverse side of this sheet a copy of the Mock Exam timetable and ensure that your child is aware of the timing of each assessment. Students will receive an individual timetable with seating arrangements on return from the half term break. Students should also be aware that these results will provide the basis of their predicted grades which are necessary for all Sixth Form and college applications.

The afternoon examinations are all GCSE option subjects, and therefore do not involve all students. Students not sitting afternoon examinations will be allowed to go home at lunchtime to study and revise.

Students this year will be sitting more and increasingly challenging examinations on the new 9-1 grading system and so it is absolutely crucial they revise and consolidate knowledge and understanding early. It should be noted that where expected progress is not indicated in mock exams, your child will be invited to re-sit at a later date.

Students should ensure that they come properly equipped for each exam as there will be checks to ensure all the necessary requirements are met. No equipment they should carry as standard will be lent by the school to students during the exam period. It is also crucial that absolutely no mobile phones are brought into school during the exam period, as possession of a phone in the examination hall will lead to disqualification.

Punctuality is also very important and students who arrive late for exams will not be allowed to sit the examination papers. This will result in them receiving no grade. They are expected to be in school no later than 8.30am. Timetabled lessons will continue during the times students are not in their exams.

I wish your child all the best and myself and the school would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the hard work and endeavour shown by the vast majority of students in Year 11.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr J MacNaughton
Assistant Headteacher