



8 January 2008

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 9 SATs Exams and Option Choices

As you are aware, the next few months are a very important time for students in Year 9. In May, they will be sitting their Key Stage 3 National Curriculum Tests (SATs) in English, Maths, Science and ICT. During the Spring Term they will be receiving information and making decisions on the courses they would like to study in Years 10 and 11.

Guidance from parents and carers during this important time is crucial. Students will need help and support to prepare them thoroughly for their SATs and to make wise, well informed decision on their options choices.

Important Dates for your Diary

Monday 14 th , Tuesday 15 th & Thursday 17 th January 2008	Mock SATs Exams (English, Maths, Science)	See timetable overleaf
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Please ensure your son/daughter attends school every day on time. Students who miss exams will be expected to catch up exams in after school sessions. Students should be preparing for these exams by revising from their exercise books, revision guides (available from most large book shops), V LE Logon for past question papers and answers (English, Maths and Science), Remote Access logon, Bitesize logon and SAM learning.

Thursday 7 th February 2008	Year 9 Options and Raising Achievement Evening 7.00 p.m. in the School Hall
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It is imperative that all students and parents/carers attend this evening. The Option Booklet will be distributed, the Key Stage 4 curriculum will be described in detail and departments will have displays and information available.

Tuesday 26 th February 2008	Year 9 Options & Academic Review with Progress Reports Arranged by appointment during the day
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Students and their parents/carers will have an individual appointment with a senior member of staff to discuss option choices with reference to the Year 9 Progress Report.

Thank you in advance, for your support in making this important time as stress free and as successful as possible for your sons and daughters.

Yours sincerely

Mr Y Bhura
Head of Learning Year 9







Mrs B A Crawford
Assistant Headteacher
Student Services Manager

Mount Grace School
Year 9 Mock SATs - Timetable
Monday 14 January to Thursday 17 January 2008

	8.40 9.00	Start 9.15	-	Finish 10.40		Start 11.15	-	Finish 12.40				
Period	1	2				3	4				5	6
Monday 14 January 2008	R E	English Reading (1 Hour 15 mins)			B R	Science 1 Hour			L U	NORMAL	LESSONS	
Tuesday 15 January 2008	G I S T	Maths (1 Hour) (Non calculator) Mental Maths Test (20 Minutes)			E A	Science 1 Hour			N	NORMAL	LESSONS	
Wednesday 16 January		NORMAL				LESSONS				NORMAL	LESSONS	
Thursday 17 January 2008	R A T I O N	English (Shakespeare (45 mins)	NORMAL		K	Start 11.00 Maths (1 Hour) (Calculator) Mental Maths Test (20 Minutes)			C H	NORMAL	LESSONS	

Key: Shaded Areas are Normal Timetabled Lessons (The times are approximate depending on the time the exam started)

Instructions

-  Check you have the correct equipment for each exam. (Several pens, pencils, rubber, ruler, **calculator** if needed)
-  Please go to the upper playground immediately after registration.
-  You will be asked to line up in Form or Teaching groups in **alphabetical** order
-  Please remove outdoor clothing before you enter the hall and have your transparent equipment case ready
-  Remember mobile phones must be switched **OFF**
-  While you are in the hall you must be **SILENT** at all times. You must not talk until you are **outside** the building