

25 November 2009

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Starting on Monday 7 December 2009 all Year 11 students will begin their mock examinations.

The mock examinations are a crucial part of a Year 11 student's preparation for their final GCSE examinations. The exams are a structured chance to rehearse the whole process of preparation planning, revision and testing under public examination conditions. This opportunity should be used to the full. If a student treats the situation seriously and works appropriately a lot can be learnt from the experience and significant improvements can be made between the mocks and the final summer examinations. It is important to realise that revision and work learnt now is a key part of a student's preparation for the final GCSEs. A student who does not prepare well now will lose an opportunity to improve their grades in the summer.

The grades that student achieve in their examinations are used to help us calculate an estimated grade that is submitted to the Examinations Boards in February. This grade is used by the Exam Board to help settle grade disputes and in some cases the mark given to a student who is close to a grade boundary, in other words it can be used to move a student up or down in the summer exams. It is therefore essential that the highest possible grades are achieved at the mocks.

Please support your son/daughter by ensuring that they revise thoroughly, sleep and eat well during the exam period and arrive in sufficient time for the exams.

Normal school will resume for Year 11 on Tuesday, 5 January 2010. Until then all students must attend at the times shown on their examination and coursework catch-up timetables which are attached to this letter.

Morning examinations start at 10.30 a.m. unless otherwise stated and afternoon exams start at 1.30 p.m.

The following must be observed during the examination period:

- Arrive 15 minutes before this time to allow enough time for the pre exam organisation outside reception.
- Full school uniform must be worn for examinations.
- Mobile phones should not be taken into the exam rooms. This could disqualify the candidate.
- Students must provide a full set of equipment including anthologies and calculators as instructed. All equipment must be in a clear pencil case with black pens.
- Students must leave the site after an examination.

Drama students will be performing an exam piece on Tuesday, 1 December 2009 at 3.45 p.m. in the Drama area.

The art exam will take place for Art students on Thursday, 3 December 2009 and Friday, 4 December 2009 in rooms L22 and L23 (normal lessons will continue for the rest of the year group).

Language Orals will take place between Monday, 7 December 2009 and Thursday, 17 December 2009 students will be individually alerted about their oral examination.

Best wishes for the exams and the festive season.

Yours sincerely

H. P. Marshall (Mrs)
Head of Learning Year 11

Exam Timetable Year 11 Mocks 2009

All Exams are in the Hall unless indicated otherwise.

Morning Exams start at 10.30 a.m. Arrive at 10.15 a.m.

Afternoon Exams start at 1.30 p.m. Arrive at 1.15 a.m.

Date	AM	PM
01/12/09		Drama Performance 3.45
03/12/09	Art all day 9.00 – 3.05	Art all day
04/12/09	Art all day 9.00 – 3.05	Art all day
7/12/09	English 140 1 hr 45 mins	History 1 55 1 hr 10 mins
8/12/09	Geography 50 1 hr 45 mins	Maths 1 140 Foundation 1 hr Higher 1 hr 10 mins
9/12/09	General Studies 140 2 hrs	French/German Reading 42 1hr
10/12/09	Food Practical Option C 12 Food Room - with LDF 1 hr 30 mins This starts at 9.00 am Graphics 15 2 hrs	Food Practical option B 15 Food Room –with LDF 1 hr 30 mins
11/12/09	RM 35 + Amit Khatri French Reading 2 hrs	French Listening 21 1 hr –with PPL
14/12/09	Science 94 40 mins	German Listening 21 1 hr –with PPL
15/12/09	Food 27 2 hrs	Maths 2 140 Foundation 1 hr Higher 1 hr 10 mins
16/12/09	History 2 55 1 hr 45 mins	Coursework sessions see separate sheet
17/12/09	Coursework sessions see separate sheet	Coursework sessions see separate sheet
18/12/09	End of Term - School Closes 12.40 pm	

French/German orals 7th – 17th December by appointment

Year 11 Mock Examinations

Coursework Catch-up Sessions December 2009

	9-00 until 9.50	11.00 until 11.50	1-25 until 3-05
14/12/09	Science – Science labs With NN SMD MMC RGJ NCH JS	Exams	Exams
15/12/09		Exams	Exams
16/12/09		Exams	PE Sport – G3 PE Dance -A21 With PE staff
17/12/09		Science – Science Labs With NN SMD JS SLK BAC RGJ	Geography – Ref Lib – French – Ref Lib German – Ref Lib With HPM 5 & 6 SLO PPL -5 HLT-6 Business N14 with JES H & S Care N14 with JES
18/12/09			

<u>Science</u>	<u>P.E. Sport</u>	<u>P.E. Dance</u>	<u>Business</u>
Allan-Wenham Connor Baker Jack Barker Sam Bolton James Brooks Louis Carnegie Colleen Collins Anthony Marshall Charley Mayes Charlie Moore Elliot Parker Joshua Sexton Niamh Stockbridge Ellie Walsh Kirsty	Batchelor Josh Crowe James Larkins Rebecca Mayes Charlie Parker Josh Richardson Clare Roy Leanna Simmons Luke Staines Alfie Taylor Laura Webb Daniel Wray Makada	Carnegie Colleen Govier Leanne Simpson Makeda Tahsin Micki	Argent Nikki Barney Lewis Brooks Louis Euesden Stephen Hammond Toby Holt Max Jenkins Rebecca Khatri Ameet Macgregor Krystal Simpson Makeda Taylor Laura
<u>Health & Social Care</u>	<u>Geography</u>	<u>German</u>	<u>French</u>
Bewick Laura Blakeley Natasha Carnegie Colleen Cerri Stephanie Preston Jade Ring Katie	Barney Lewis Collins Anthony Govier Leanne Haggerty Innes Hillis Rachel Hunter Sion Maynard Jordan McCarthy Harriette Myers Josh Simpson Makeda Straw Andrew Walsh Kirsty Ward Abbie	Abe Sam Allan-Wenham Connor Argent Nikki Day Rochelle Maynard Jordan Myers Josh	Aston Sophie Baker Ryan Brooks Louis Couples Anthony De Biase Andrea Hillis Rachel Hunter Sion Walsh Kirsty