

Headteacher: Mr J Parr BA Hons

16th December 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Year 11 Mock Examinations - w/b 11th January 2021

The mock examinations are an important indicator of progress made by students and although there has been preparation taking place in lessons this term, and this will continue in the New Year, the expectation is that this is supplemented and supported with significant study at home. These examinations are referred to as “mock” since they are an attempt to duplicate the situation which will arise when all Year 11 students take their external examinations in summer term 2021.

A good performance in these exams is really important and attendance is vital. We may be asked to provide a Centre Assessed Grade for students who are unable to sit the GCSE exams in the summer of 2021. The outcome of these Mock Exams (raw scores) may be used to inform that judgement.

Not all students are involved in the examinations at all times. For the duration of the exams students will be expected to register and attend school and lessons before and after the exams. This means that unless they are in an exam they should be in their usual timetabled lesson, which will be delivered as normal.

If your child is ill during the mock exam period, please phone the school office to report their absence as usual.

Can I reiterate the importance of thorough preparation for these examinations. We have invested in an online revision tool called Seneca Learning, your child has the log in details for this. Please encourage them to use this along with the other signposted revision on GO 4 Schools for each subject. If they have any doubt as to the content covered by the examinations then please contact the Head of Department for that subject.

Over the ensuing months you will receive further information relating to actual GCSE Examinations and clarification of any changes that may arise as a result of Covid-19 events. All information will also be relayed via the school website.

Yours sincerely,

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