



20th October 2026

Dear Student and Parent/Guardian,

Please find attached the timetable for the mock exams running from Monday 9th November to Friday 27th November. Individual timetables will follow shortly which will also detail arrangements to address any subject clashes.

It is important that students take these mock exams seriously. They fulfil a number of key purposes:

1. To provide us with accurate understanding of students' strengths and their gaps, so that we can tailor teaching to meet their needs
2. To provide 'resilience data' as required by JCQ - meaning that if, for whatever reason, the GCSEs could not be sat in the summer, the mock exams would provide evidence to inform the awarding of grades
3. To inform predicted grades for post-16 applications, alongside the Year 10 mocks and work completed in class and as part of extended learning.
4. To provide the practice and experience for students, preparing them for what to expect next summer

As stated in the JCQ assembly, it is important that students are on time for all exams and that they have the equipment needed, including a calculator where necessary.

Students are permitted to wear PE kit during the Mock Exam period. This must be consistent with the school uniform policy. Leggings or Joggers must be plain black. Hoodies must be either the Harris Hoodies, half-zip or plain black.

All line-ups will take place on the netball courts for students sitting their exams in the Sports Hall. Students who are in smaller rooms, Students in the rear of the sports hall need to line up on the basketball courts. All other students, sitting exams in smaller rooms need to head to the Sports Centre reception area and wait quietly and calmly to be registered and seated.

Please remember to abide by the JCQ requirements, including not looking around/communicating with others; no watches nor mobile phones in the exam room, and no writing on your hands or arms before, nor during, the exam.

Your class teachers should have made you aware of what you need to revise. Please ask them if you are uncertain about anything and remember to access revision materials and guidance on Google Classroom, Bromcom, Educake, Sparx, Languagenut, and any other resources provided by class teachers.

If a student misses a mock exam, we will endeavour to find a 'catch-up' slot in the week beginning the 23rd November. If several exams are missed, we may need to make arrangements for students to sit an exam after school as it is vital that students complete these assessments

Kind regards,

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Deputy Headteacher