



January 2022

Year 11 – Mock Exams and Wellbeing time

Dear Parent/Carer

We are writing you with regards to some key changes to Year 11 Mock Exams.

The first point to make is that the government are clearly indicating that it is their firm intention that examinations will go ahead in the summer. Assuming GCSE examinations do go ahead, they have also now issued a range of other decisions. The guidance that has been released has stated that students should only be assessed on contented cover.

21 January to 28 January

Mock exams will run slightly amended to previous mocks, in line with the exam board release of information. Students will attend form time and period 1 as normal, and then are expected to line up in the courtyard, in the preassigned seating plan order and escorted to the exam hall. External exam rules and regulations will apply set out by JQC, the exam board regulator. Thus, meaning strictly no mobile phones or watches on the pupil, if a child wishes to bring water into the exam, the label must be removed.

Exam sessions run slightly off the normal school day, with two sessions a day, with an extended break in between.

In order to support your child's wellbeing, after the second mock in the day, students will be released home for wellbeing time at 1:30pm. This will allow your child to de-stress from the pressure of the exams, and prepare for the next day. If your child wishes to stay in school, there will be a study hall available for students to work in for the remainder of the day.

To support your child, we would like you to confirm whether your child would like to take part in the wellbeing time or study hall, please indicate on the below reply slip

Any further concerns, feel free to contact myself or Mr Cass, Head of Year.

Miss Simperl

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Attention Mr Cass or Miss Simperl

Child's Name.....

Class/Form

Name of Parent/Carer

Signed by Parent/Carer

Date

[] will be able to attend the study hall after the mock exams

[] I give permission for my child to go home at 1.30pm during the mock exam series – wellbeing time



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