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Dear Year 11 Parents / Guardian

Ref: Year 11 Mock Exams (2020-21)

I am writing to you regarding the proposed scheduling of the Year 11 mock exams over the next few months. We are planning to run these as normal in the School Hall and other venues around the school for students requiring access arrangements. This is because we believe it is very important that students get as close an experience to the 'real exams' as they can – particularly as the Year 10 exams did not run as normal.

We will, of course, need to review these plans based on the coronavirus situation. If students are at home self-isolating we will provide the exam papers to them (either as paper copies or to be completed online).

The key mock periods for the current academic year are shown in the table below:

Dates	Subjects
Monday 16 November – Friday 20 November 2020	English and maths – 1 st set of mocks
Wednesday 2 December & Thursday 3 December 2020	Art & Design
Wednesday 6 January- Friday 22 January 2021 (Final end date to be confirmed)	Main mock period for all subjects except Art & Design, English and maths
Monday 22 February –Friday 26 February 2021	English and maths – 2 nd set of mocks

English and Maths – 1st set of mocks

The table below shows the exam timetable for the 1st set of mocks in English and maths.

Week A	Monday 16 th November	Tuesday 17 th November	Wednesday 18 th November	Thursday 19 th November	Friday 20 th November
8.45am start	English Language Paper 1 (1hr 45 min)	Mathematics Paper 1 (1hr 30 min)	Mathematics Paper 2 (1hr 30min)	English Literature Paper 1 (1hr 45min)	Mathematics Paper 3 (1hr 30min)
1.30pm start	BTEC Child Care Exam (1hr)				

These examinations will take place in the School Hall and the students should arrive at least 10 minutes before the start of the morning exams (8.35am) and 15 minutes before the afternoon exams (1.15pm). They need to bring all their equipment (including calculators) in a clear pencil case/ plastic bag. Water bottles should be clear and must not have any labels on them. We will ensure that

students with additional time and other access arrangements know where they need to go and when.

Following the end of each exam the students will return to their normal lessons. They should wear full school uniform as normal. The English and maths teams will ensure that your child knows what to prepare for each of these exams.

Term 2 Report

We will send details of your child's performance in these examinations home with the Term 2 report towards the end of December.

Other mock exam periods

We will send further details of the two other mock exam periods, including the exam timetables, closer to these exam periods.

Year 11 Revision Evening

We normally run a Year 11 Revision Evening at school in early October. We cannot, of course, invite parents and students into school this year. We will, instead, be making videos available to you with the presentations which we normally deliver in person. These will provide further information on these mock exam periods as well as provide practical revision strategies which the students can use.

If you have any questions about any of these matters, please contact your child's tutor.

Yours faithfully,



Dr Newbold
Deputy Head