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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Year 11 Mock exams 15 - 28 November 2019

Year 11 Mock Exams will be taking place from Friday 15th November to Thursday 28th November 2019.

Please see the attached timetable for full details of exams, dates and times. In most cases the exams will take place in the Sports Hall in order to help prepare students for their GCSE exams in Year 11.

We would welcome your support in encouraging your child to prepare effectively for the exams. There are revision resources on our website that the students can use and they have been given revision materials by their subject teachers.

Please be aware of the following points:

- Students should attend school as normal on exam days in full uniform.
- When students are not in exams they will attend their timetabled lessons for that day.
- Equipment should be brought into school in a clear pencil case or poly-pocket for exams.
- Please ensure your child brings more than one black pen with them, as all GCSE examinations will now have to be completed with one.
- Mobile phones and electronic devices if brought into school, <u>must be handed in at the start of the exam</u>, it is preferable that they are left at home. Students must not keep them on their person. In a GCSE exam, failing to comply with these rules would result in disqualification of their paper by the awarding Exam Board.

The mock exams are very important in preparing students for their GCSE exams as well as informing staff how best to support them. Students will gain an understanding of what the GCSE exam period will entail in the summer term, so it is vital that students make the most of this by preparing effectively. Revision sessions will continue to run in the build up to the exams and students are encouraged to make productive use of the half term break by engaging in revision activities on a regular basis. Any poor conduct, rule braking and bad behaviour during the mock exams could result in an internal or fixed term exclusions, so it is imperative that students take these exams seriously. Students performing in line with or surpassing their targets in mock exams will be rewarded using the school rewards policy.

I hope your child makes the most of this process and prepares in the best way possible to ensure they perform to the best of their ability.

Yours faithfully

Miss R Bennett
Assistant Headteacher