

February 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Cycle 2 Mock Exams

Students are just beginning their Cycle 2 mock exams, their final rehearsal before the final examinations start in April / May, depending on subjects studied. During this period, we are supporting students prior to the exams with some booster sessions. The aim of the sessions is to increase their confidence with key knowledge and exam technique going into the exam.

Attached is the timetable for this week and next. Please note that some of the exams will finish after our normal school finishing times and particularly where students are allocated extra time. Students received a copy of this timetable the week before the February holiday, they also have their own personal exam timetable for the mock exams.

Students need to sit the exams as scheduled on the timetable as they would in the summer as exams cannot be rearranged. They need to be fully equipped for both the mock and the real exams with the correct equipment. They need a clear plastic pencil case or clear plastic wallet; two black pens, two pencils, eraser, pencil sharpener, ruler, calculator with fresh batteries for the maths, science, geography and DT exams along with any other specialist equipment.

All students were assessed in year 10 for any access arrangements needed to support them with exams such as extra time, coloured paper, use of a word processor etc. It is important that if they have an access arrangement, they show evidence of needing it. If it is not used, then it will be deemed as not needed and will therefore be taken away.

The results of the cycle 2 mock exams will be sent home week beginning 18 March along with a copy of the summer exam timetable. We will keep you up to date with other revision workshops and interventions that are organised in the lead up to these exams. If you have any queries about any of the above or would like to discuss your child's progress and strategies for this year then please contact your child's form tutor or Mr Thacker, Head of Year 11.

Yours sincerely



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	Wednesday 21 February	Thursday 22 February	Friday 23 February	Monday 26 February	Tuesday 27 February	Wednesday 28 February	Thursday 29 February	Friday 1 March
Morning – MM, Period 1 & 2	8:15-9:35 English Booster English Language Paper 1 1 hour 45 minutes 9.45-11.30	8:15-9:00 Maths Booster Maths Paper 1 Non-Calculator 1 hour 30 minutes 9.10-10.40 Break as normal	8:15-9:15 Science Booster Science Paper 2 Chemistry Combined 1 hour 15 minutes 9.25 – 10.40 Triple 1 hour 45 minutes	8:15-9:05 English Booster English Literature 2 hour 15 minutes 9.15-11.30	8:15-8:45 Spanish Booster Spanish Reading Foundation 45 minutes Higher 1 hour Spanish Listening Foundation 35 minutes Higher 45 minutes	8:15-9:35 English Booster English Language Paper 2 1 hour 45 minutes 9:45-11:30	8:15-9:00 Maths Booster Maths Paper 3 Calculator 1 hour 30 minutes 9:10-10:40 Break as normal	8:15-9:15 Science Booster Science Paper 2 Physics Combined 1 hour 15 minutes 9:25 – 10:40 Triple 1 hour 45 minutes Late break
Mid-morning Period 3 & 4	Late break 11:35-11:55 Period 4 DT Booster Computer Science Booster All other students in lessons	P3 as normal Period 4 Science Booster	Late break 11:35-11:55 Period 4 Geography Booster History Booster	Late break 11:35-11:55 Period 4 RE Booster	Spanish Writing Foundation 1 hour Higher 1 hour 15 minutes 11:05-12:20 Period 4 Maths Booster	Late break 11:35-11:55 Period 4 Geography Booster History Booster	Period 3 & 4 Music Booster Lessons as normal for all other students	Computer Science Paper 2 1 hour 30 minutes Drama 1 hour 30 minutes Further Maths Paper 2 1 hour 45 minutes Health & Social Care Moved from 23 Feb 1 hour
Afternoon Periods 5 & 6	DT 2 hours Computer Science Paper 1 1 hour 30 minutes DT end 3:45pm Extra time: 4:15pm	Science Paper 2 Biology Combined 1 hour 15 minutes Triple 1 hour 45 minutes End 3:45pm Extra time: 4:15pm (Triple)	Geography Paper 1 1 hour 30 minutes History Paper 1 1 hour Geography end: 3:00pm Geography extra time end: 3:23pm	RE 1 hour 45 minutes End 3:45pm Extra time end: 4:11pm	Maths Paper 2 Calculator 1 hour 30 minutes End 3:40pm Extra time end: 3:53pm	Geography Paper 2 1 hour 30 minutes History Paper 2 1 hour 45 minutes End 3:45pm Extra time end Geography 3:53pm History 4:15pm	Physics Booster PDS Music 1 hour 45 minutes Computer Science Paper 1 Clashes 1 hour 30 minutes Geography Paper 1 Clashes 1 hour 30 minutes H&SC Clashes 1 hour ET end: 4:15pm	Extra time end: CS & Drama 3:53pm Further Maths 4:15pm

*Lunch and study prep on most days will go ahead as normal, most afternoon exams will start at 2pm

Tuesday 20 February

Further Maths – afternoon B16 (Change to original Timetable)

End: 3:45pm

Rooms for the booster sessions will be issues separately on a personal basis on Monday 19 February