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Dear Parent/Carer,

## RE: Yr 11 Mock Period

I write to inform you that the end of November marks the beginning of the Yr 11 mock period at school. These formal exams serve an important purpose in assessing your daughter's current progress in all her subjects, whilst providing real exam experience in preparation for the summer ones she is scheduled to sit.

Students of practical subjects including Art, Textiles, Drama, PE and Hospitality and Catering have mock days scheduled before and after the standard mock period. All students attend school as normal while these practical exams take place.

The standard mock period begins Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December to Monday 11th December (inclusive). During the standard mock period, students are only to attend school to sit their scheduled mock exams. The time away from school is recognised as time to prepare for the mock exams on their schedule. All students have been given a timetable with this letter; a copy of the full mock exam schedule will also be available on the school website. An assembly is also delivered to the whole of year 11 outlining key information as part of their preparation.

It's imperative that students should not arrive more than 15 minutes before the scheduled exam time as there are no supervised areas for them to study (their usual teachers will be invigilating the exams).

Students should go straight to the tennis courts for registration before their exam. Students are expected to sit their exams in full school uniform; this is a requirement for the summer exams also.

On the schedule there are 3 examination slots: Morning (8:25am), mid-morning (11:10am) and afternoon (2pm). If your daughter has two exams in a row, she will remain on site between these. (See exam timetable with notes in yellow). If she does not have two exams in a row, then she will be sent home after the paper she sits.

There are a small number of students who have a morning and an afternoon exam on the same day and have far to travel to and from school. These students can remain on site in between the exams in an allocated study room to avoid your daughter having to travel to and from school twice in the day. If this is the case for your daughter you must complete the following Google form by Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November so we can allocate her a space: https://forms.gle/nMfvNsGZ9zBWa8Qg9

If this form is not completed, then your daughter will be sent home with the rest of the year group as standard after each exam to prepare from home.

## **Summary of Key Dates**

30 <sup>th</sup> – 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	Practical Mock Exams	All students attend school as normal. Students who are completing practical exams will attend their exam rather than their timetabled lesson	
4th Dec-11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Standard Mock Period	Year 11 students only attend school if they have an exam and will be sent home after their exam is sat. All students are expected in the morning.	
		Any student with a morning and late afternoon exam on the same day <u>and has far to travel</u> will be offered a space to stay on site for period 3 and 4 if prearranged by completing the Google Form by Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> November.	
		There are no other supervised spaces/times during the day for students to study and like in the summer they will be sent home as standard after each exam.	
		If your daughter has two exams in a row, she will remain on site between these as they time between these falls during break/lunch time.	
		Students should arrive no earlier than 15 minutes before their exam start time, any students arriving too early will be sent home as staff are invigilating exams and will not be available to supervise them.	
12 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Normal School Day for students	Students with a language (French/Spanish etc.) speaking exam will be made aware of their exam time and should attend as directed. Students not completing a practical or languages exam will attend lessons as normal.	

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me on the details below.

Yours Sincerely,

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13/12 14/12 15/12	French Speaking Exams		All students attend school
12/12	French Speaking Exams PE Practical 4h Drama Practical	Hospitality and Catering Practical 5h Group 2	All students attend school
11/12	Physics Triple 1h 45m Combined 1hr 15m All students remain on site.	Maths Paper 3 Thr 30 Thr 30 Students who have an affernoon exam stay on sife	Business Paper 1 Thr 45m Computer Science Paper 1 Thr 30m Further Maths Paper 2 Thr 45
08/12	Chemistry Triple Thr 45m Combined Thr 15m All students who take Sociology remain on site, any who do not go home.	Sociology Paper 1 Thr Thr Students who have an affernoon exam stay on site.	Media Paper 1 Thr 45min Music Component 3 Thr
07/12	English Language Paper 2 1hr 20m All students who take French remain on site, any who do not go home.	French Writing 1hr 15 (F) 1hr 20 (H) Students who have an afternoon exam stay on eithe	Drama Paper 1 Thr 30 Health and Social Care Paper 3 Th
06/12	Biology Triple 1h 45m Combined 1hr 15m All students who take French remain on site.	French Reading & Listening 1hr 30 Students who take Psychology remain on site.	Psychology Paper 1 1hr 45m
05/12	Maths Paper 1 Thr 30 All students who take Geography and History remain on site, any who do not go home.	Geography Paper 1 1hr 30m History Paper 3 1hr 15m Students who take RS remain	RS Paper 1 Full Course Thr 45m Short Course Thr
04/12	English Literature Paper 1 1hr 45m Students who take Citizenship those do not those do not take Citizenship go home.	Citizenship Paper 3 1hr Students who take H&C remain on site.	Hospitality & Catering Paper 1 1hr 30m
01/12	Art Practical Textiles Practical 10h Hospitality and Catering Practical 5h	Group 1	All students attend school
30/11	Art Practical Textiles Practical 10h		All students attend school
	Morning Exam Start Time 8:25am Breaktime 10:55- 11:10am	Mid- Morning Start Time 11:10am Lunchtime 1:15-2pm	Afternoon Exam Start time: 2pm