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16th October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the Year 11 mock examinations, which will run from Tuesday 3rd to Friday 27th November, please read the following key information to help your child feel prepared and confident.

Arrival to School
On days when students have a mock exam, they must enter school through the Small Hall. Students are encouraged to arrive, whenever possible, from 08:00 to complete structured revision. Students will then attend a briefing led by their Head of Faculty before their exam. Students will also have a pre-exam briefing before afternoon exams.

What Students Must Bring
Students should arrive fully prepared with:

- A clear water bottle with no label, where possible.
- A clear pencil case containing the essential exam equipment:
- Black pens (at least two)
- Pencil (at least two)
- A ruler
- An eraser
- A calculator, where required and permitted for the exam

Please ensure all equipment is ready before students arrive at school.

Exam Regulations
As with the Year 10 examinations, students will be wanded before entering the exam hall. This is a routine check using a handheld detector used at arm's length to help ensure that students are not bringing prohibited electronic devices into the examination room. No technology or revision notes are permitted in the exam room. This includes mobile phones, smartwatches, headphones and any other unauthorised electronic devices or materials. These expectations reflect formal examination regulations and are essential to ensuring a fair and secure examination environment for everyone.

Daily Exam Reminders

As with the previous mock examinations, I will send an Email each afternoon outlining the examinations taking place the following day. Please check these emails with your child to ensure they know which exams they have and are fully prepared.

Thank you for your continued support in helping our Year 11 students approach their mocks positively and confidently.

HERE is the link to the recorded presentation, on our website, about the upcoming mock exams. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions whatsoever.

Yours sincerely,

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