

14 October 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Year 13 Mock Examinations Monday 2nd November – Friday 13th November 2026

To prepare our year 13 students for the summer examination period, we have planned mock examinations which will start on Monday 2nd November. The mock examinations play a vital part in the preparation for their final A-Level examinations and should be approached with rigour and focus. The process of revision and mock examinations helps students to improve on their prior knowledge and skills. It is also an opportunity for students to gauge their current progress.

Your child will also receive an individual copy of their timetable which will also be published on the school website. Your child should check this carefully. All examinations will be overseen by invigilators and will take place in the Sports Hall. This allows students to have a full experience of what the public examinations will be like in the summer. As has always been the case, there will be no study leave. Students will return to their lessons after they finish their exams.

We ask that you encourage your child to complete 3 hours of independent revision each evening. Consistent and focused revision at home will make a significant difference to their confidence and performance in the mocks.

It is vital students arrive to all examinations on time, so they are prepared. If students have a **morning examination**, they should arrive to school at **8.30am** and go to Cedar Hall. **Afternoon examinations** will begin at **1.30pm** which means some exams may finish after the official end of the school day. If students have afterschool commitments, it is vital they are rearranged. If students arrive late, there may be a possibility that they will not be able to sit that particular exam which could result in not receiving a grade.

Please be aware students should attend all exams in **business attire** and should bring the appropriate equipment. This includes a clear pencil case and at least two black pens. The maths and science department will inform students when they will require calculators. Please remember smart mobile phones are not allowed in school and therefore should not be present in the examination. If your child has a brick phone and bring it in to school, it must off and in their bag. Also, watches are not allowed and papers may be cancelled if students are seen wearing them. Full examination expectations are attached.

Leading up to and during the exam period, it is essential you encourage your child to spend time revising at home. Each student will be given topics to research and revise by their teachers and they should spend time completing the work in a quiet room at home.

Please also take note of the following key upcoming dates:

- **Year 13 Parents' Evening:** 11th February 2027 3:30pm
This will be a very important occasion, as you will have the opportunity to discuss your child's mock exam results and progress with subject teachers.



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Please support us in ensuring your child is fully prepared for these exams. As always, if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me or Mr Darr

Many thanks for your continued support.

Kind regards,

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