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Year 11 Mock Examinations & GCSE Entries

Dear Parent/Carer,

Pre-Public Examinations

Preparations for this summer's public examinations are gathering pace. There are only seven weeks in school until the first GCSE examinations begin. When pupils return after the half term, they will be straight into two weeks of mock examinations. The Pre-Public Mock Examinations are integral to preparing pupils for the examinations they will sit in the summer term. Pupils must revise and prepare well for them. This week in assembly, pupils have been given a copy of the mock examination timetable, seating plan, a summary of their half-term holiday homework and a revision planner to help them organise their time during the half term and in the run-up to the examinations. Copies of these documents are available on the school website on the Year 11 page, located in the Curriculum section under Key Stage 4.

Half Term Holiday Homework

During the half term, pupils should complete two to three hours of revision per subject. The half-term holiday homework will support pupils' revision and provide clear guidance and structure for each subject. However, this is the minimum expectation, and in addition, pupils should be completing their own independent study.

GCSE Examination Entries

The entries for the GCSE examinations are currently being processed and sent to the examination boards. A Statement of Entry for the summer examinations has been given to pupils this week. Please check the entries carefully to ensure they are correct for your son/daughter. The name on the statement will be the pupil's legal name and the name which will appear on the examination certificates. Please sign and return the form to your son/daughter's form tutor by **Friday, 17 February**. If any amendments are required, please write these on the entry statement.

I wish all our pupils the best of luck with the forthcoming mock examinations and their onward preparations for the examinations this summer.

Yours faithfully,

M. McAuley
Assistant Headteacher

