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Dear Year 11 Parents and Carers,

I wanted to take this opportunity to congratulate our Year 11 students on their application to their studies, and on their resilience over the last two weeks whilst we have had our mock exam fortnight.

Whilst most students will have finished their mocks today, a number of students will continue to have catch-up exams tomorrow and the Food Technology exam is also on tomorrow morning.

Students that do the Design Technology subjects, Art, Textiles and Graphics will all have mock exams to sit in these subjects in the coming weeks before the Christmas break. These will be 10-hour exams and students have been working towards these with their class teachers in preparation for the mock exam days.

A date for your diaries is **Tuesday 12 January 2027** when we will be holding our second Year 11 Parents' Evening and we will be giving you detailed analysis of your child's exam performance and practical steps you can take to further support them. This is an incredibly important evening for all our Year 11 families.

Finally, I want to thank all parents and carers in advance for your continued support in ensuring your child's full attendance in school and at exam preparation sessions. High levels of attendance are a key indicator of success in the final GCSE exams, students that are in school with attendance above 95% do significantly better than other students. Attendance is also linked to getting a Prom Passport. Students need a certain number of Prom Attendance Points to go to Prom. The first 2 points they need to get are on Friday 20 November 2026. This is a designated key Prom attendance date, and students will get a prom point in morning registration and a second prom point in afternoon registration.

I look forward to sharing your child's mock exam results with you soon.

Yours sincerely,



Clare Humble
Headteacher