



30 September 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11 Mock Examinations

I am writing to you in advance of our forthcoming mock examinations for all of our Year 11 students. A copy of the full timetable can be seen overleaf and students are asked to read this carefully. Each student will receive their own personal timetable that details all of their examinations including start times and seating arrangements.

There will be 2 weeks of examinations, Week 1 which will be for Option exams and Week 2 which will be Core exams (maths, English, science). This is to allow time in between the examinations for students to receive focused revision support and have time to effectively prepare.

Week 1 – Tuesday 20th – Friday 23rd October

Arrival by:	Line up time	Exam start time	Other comments
10.45am	11.00am	11.10am	Normal lessons after the morning exams Students remain on site until 3.20pm

Students are in normal lessons on Monday 19th October. From Tuesday 20th students should arrive at school by **10.45am** for bag and mobile phone checks. Following this, they will be directed to the senior canteen. They will then be asked to line-up at 11am for a prompt 11.10am start.

Some students will have a slightly varied start time if they study certain GCSE subjects (triple science, art, music) – please check their personalised exam timetable for confirmation.

Normal lessons will resume after the morning exam.

Triple Science students

Students who are entered for Triple Science GCSE have a different schedule for either the Tuesday or the Thursday, dependent on class. This will appear on their exam timetable. These students will take part in a 'Core Masterclass' which will focus on stretching and challenging them across the 3 core subjects (maths, English and science). Students in these classes are expected to arrive at school in time for the start of period 1 (9.15am) using the 'lates' entrance and they will be directed straight through to their sessions.

11T2 Tuesday 20th October arrive by 9.15am

11T1 Thursday 22nd October arrive by 9.15am

Week 2 – Monday 9th – Friday 13th November

Day	Arrival by:	Line up time	Exam start time	Other comments
Monday	10.20am	10.35am	10.45am	Students remain on site until after their afternoon exam
Tuesday	10.35am	10.50am	11.00am	Students remain on site until after their afternoon exam
Wednesday	10.20am	10.35am	10.45am	Students remain on site until after their afternoon exam
Thursday	10.35am	10.50am	11.00am	Students remain on site until after their afternoon exam
Friday	10.20am	10.35am	10.45am	Students, dependent on attendance and behaviour, will be able to leave after exam

Monday 9th November/Wednesday 11th November/Friday 13th November

Students should arrive at school by **10.20am** for bag and mobile phone checks. Following this, they will be directed to the senior canteen. They will then be asked to line-up at 10.35am for a prompt 10.45am start.

Tuesday 10th November & Thursday 12th November

Students should arrive at school by **10.35am** for bag and mobile phone checks. Following this, they will be directed to the senior canteen. They will then be asked to line-up at 10.50am for a prompt 11am start.

Students will remain on site between their morning and afternoon exams.

Where your son/ward has no examination, he must use this time to study using revision materials and online platforms to revise. Google Classroom pages and links to appropriate revision websites are listed on the school website in the Year 11 section.

Attendance and Behaviour Expectations

We expect all students to demonstrate excellent attendance and behaviour throughout the mock examination period. Students who maintain excellent attendance and consistently meet our expectations for behaviour during their mock exams will be rewarded with the afternoon off school on Friday 13th November, as recognition of their hard work and commitment.

This is a crucial set of exams for Year 11 students allowing them to demonstrate their progress to date and to help inform their choices post-16. Feedback from these examinations will be used to determine the tier of entry in those subjects where it applies.

Please note that all examinations will be conducted in line with JCQ (Joint Council for Qualifications) guidelines. In accordance with these guidelines, mobile phones, watches, MP3 players and any other connective devices are not permitted. If your son chooses to bring devices to school, he will need to turn them off, place them in his Yondr pouch, lock the pouch and store it in his school bag for the duration of the school day. Additionally, students are required to wear full uniform for the duration of the examinations.

Mock Exam Results & Parents' Evening

Mock exam results will be communicated via report the week commencing 7th December. There will be a parents' evening on Thursday 14th January.

Thank you for your support in ensuring that your son is aware of the attached schedule and that he attends promptly as required.

Yours sincerely
Mr Adrian Whiteley
Headteacher

Year 11 Mock Exam Timetable – October/November 2026

Date	Morning Exam / Time	Afternoon Exam / Time – 1.40pm
Monday 19th October	Normal lessons	Normal lessons
Tuesday 20th October	Option A Construction – 11.10am – 12.40pm Drama (IT) – 11.10am – 12.40pm French Writing – 11.10am – 12.25pm Geography – 11.10am – 12.55pm History – 11.10am – 12.40pm Hospitality & Catering – 11.10am – 12.30pm Sport – 11.10am – 12.10pm Separate Science T2 Masterclass – 9.15am – 12.50pm	Normal lessons
Wednesday 21st October	Option B Art – 9am – 12.50pm Design Technology – 11.10am – 12.55pm DIT – 11.10am – 12.50pm Geography – 11.10am – 12.55pm History – 11.10am – 12.40pm Media Studies – 11.10am – 12.40pm Spanish Writing – 11.10am – 12.25pm Sport – 11.10am – 12.10pm	Normal lessons
Thursday 22nd October	Option C Art – 9am – 12.50pm Construction – 11.10am – 12.40pm Design Technology – 11.10am – 12.55pm History – 11.10am – 12.40pm Media Studies – 11.10am – 12.40pm Music – 9.15am – 12.50pm Separate Science T1 Masterclass – 9.15am – 12.50pm	Normal lessons
Friday 23rd October	Option D Art – 9am – 12.50pm Construction 11.10am – 12.40pm Computer Studies – 11.10am – 12.40pm Geography – 11.10am – 12.55pm History – 11.10am – 12.40pm Hospitality & Catering – 11.10am – 12.30pm Religious Studies – 11.10am – 12.40pm	Normal lessons
Monday 9th November	English Language – Paper 1 10.45am – 12.30pm	Biology Combined 1.40pm – 2.55pm Separate 1.40pm – 3.25pm
Tuesday 10th November	Maths Paper 1 (non-calculator) 11am – 12.30pm	Chemistry Combined 1.40pm – 2.55pm Separate 1.40pm – 3.25pm
Wednesday 11th November	English Literature 10.45am – 12.30pm	Maths Paper 2 (calculator) 1.40pm – 3.10pm
Thursday 12th November	Maths Paper 3 (calculator) 11am – 12.30pm	Physics Combined 1.40pm – 2.55pm Separate 1.40pm – 3.25pm
Friday 13th November	English Language – Paper 2 10.45am – 12.30pm	Normal lessons