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Dear Parents and Families of Students in Year 11,

Now that students have returned to school and are moving closer to the final GCSE examinations beginning in April 2023, it is important that we continue to prepare them for this important process.

One of the ways that we will prepare students is by asking them to sit a round of mock examinations before the end of this half term. These mock exams will take place between **Friday 6th October and Friday 13th October.** This will not be a full suite of exams this time around, and students will sit a smaller selection of papers from each subject as we look to build up to the final exams. The mock exams will take place, however, in formal exam conditions in the sports hall as they would do for the real exam.

A full mock exam timetable will be published and shared with students and families next week. We will also be holding a community meeting with students to talk them through the timetable and the steps that we will take to help them get ready.

The mock exams will be a useful tool in helping students to experience the examination process so that they are fully prepared for the real examinations next year. We realise that for some students, examinations can be a worrying and stressful experience, therefore, this process will allow us to see where any additional help and support may be needed.

The mock exams will also provide Subject Leaders and teachers with important information which will enable them to carefully plan any additional teaching and academic support sessions that may be required in the next academic year. This will mean that students are fully supported in the run up to the final GCSE exams.





We will continue to update you regularly with information regarding the run up to Year 11 and beyond but, as always, if you have any questions or concerns, please get in touch with your child's Crew Leader. You can also contact us directly should you wish to discuss any issues or concerns.

With thanks, as always, for your continuing support,

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