



# St Mary's Catholic School

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Dear Parent or Carer

## Re: GCSE and Level 2 Vocational Exams

I hope that you and your family are keeping well.

Year 11 students have been working extremely hard and we have been very pleased with their progress over the past few months. They have consistently demonstrated a positive attitude towards their studies and have been preparing well for their upcoming GCSEs. We are certain that all this hard work will pay off when it comes to sitting their final exams.

Please find attached an overview of the *GCSE Exam Timetable*, which will give you a clear picture of your child's schedule over the exam period. Also attached is the *Information for candidates* document produced by the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ), the body responsible for overseeing public examinations. Before, during and after each exam, students are required to adhere to certain rules and regulations. These are outlined in detail in the JCQ document.

Prior to the start of the formal exam period in early May, we will be speaking to students about the rules and regulations. They should be familiar with these, having already experienced two cycles of mock exams in a formal setting. However, it would be much appreciated if you could reinforce these messages at home.

If you have any queries at all, please contact Mrs Liddane, the Head of Year 11, in the first instance.

Thank you very much for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

**I Stanton**  
**Assistant Headteacher**

