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Dear Parent/Carer

Pre-Public Examinations (PPEs) & BTEC Examinations – Year 11

I am writing to inform you of the forthcoming PPEs (mock examinations) for your child. The examinations will take place from **Monday 28th February 2022 to Friday 11th March 2022**.

As I am sure you appreciate, the PPEs are an important part of Year 11 as they will give an indication as to how well your child may do in the final GCSE examinations. In addition, teachers can use the results from these PPEs to focus on key knowledge and skills leading into the summer examination season to make sure we support your child in their remaining time at The Hamble School.

English Literature PPEs

Since our students are studying for both English Language and English Literature, your child will also complete two additional PPEs for English Literature on **Tuesday 15th February** and **Thursday 17th February 2022**. English teachers have made students aware of this through their English lessons and the timetable for these is also enclosed.

BTEC Engineering

On **Monday 8th February** and **Friday 11th February 2022**, those students studying BTEC Engineering will also complete their formal BTEC Examinations. These are examinations that have been set by the awarding body and will form part of the final overall grade for the qualification. These dates have also been included on the timetable.

Examination Timetable

Examination timetables will be given to students, with an overview timetable published on the school website. There is also a timetable enclosed with this letter. Your child is expected to attend school as normal during the examination period and their subject teachers will arrange for them to attend their examinations at the appropriate times.

There are some instances where examinations will start during tutor time, lead into break and/or lunchtime and, in some instances, extend beyond the end of the timetabled school day. All students will be required to remain in school for the timetabled examinations.

Where the examination extends beyond the end of the school day, please ensure that there is a plan in place for your child to get home after the examination.

Revision

Each subject will provide information on what to revise for each PPE exam. It is important that your child has a revision timetable in place to support their success. If your child needs support with this, please ask them to see Mrs Emmett-Callaghan (Head of Year 11).

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Equipment

All students should bring suitable equipment to each examination – spare pens (black), pencil, ruler, eraser, appropriate maths equipment and scientific calculator (if allowed). Bringing the correct equipment is the students' responsibility.

We will not be able to issue any equipment out to students during the examinations. It is therefore important that your son/daughter should attend examinations with their equipment in a clear pencil case.

All students must be in the correct full school uniform for all examinations. The wearing of masks in the examination room is optional and is entirely the students' decision.

Intervention

After school intervention will be cancelled during the main PPE examination period of Monday 28th February to Friday 11th March 2022.

Study Leave

There is no study leave for students. If students are not attending examinations, they are expected to attend their normal timetabled lessons, where their subject teachers will welcome them. Staff are aware of when students have examinations and will plan accordingly.

Thank you in advance for your support with the forthcoming mock examinations. If you have any questions regarding the exam process, please contact Mrs Emmet-Callaghan at the school between the hours of 8.00am – 4.00pm Monday to Friday. Alternatively, you can make contact by email using NEmmettCallaghan@TheHambleSchool.co.uk

Yours faithfully



Ms L Cambridge
Deputy Headteacher

If, at any time, you should require special arrangements to be made when visiting the school and/or in order to participate fully in supporting your child at school (e.g. an accessible venue for meetings, if you are a wheelchair user, assistance with translation of documents or enlarged copies of communications etc.), please do not hesitate to let us know.