

Dear Parent/Carer

Mock Examinations – Year 11

I am writing to inform you of the forthcoming mock examinations for your child. The main set of examinations will take place from **Wednesday 01 November – Friday 17 November 2023**.

As I am sure you appreciate, the mocks 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 mocks 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.

Examination Timetable

Examination timetables have already been 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 has provided information on what to revise for each mock exam. This is via Class Charts and/ or in the curriculum booklet previously distributed (and available here:

<https://www.thehambleschool.co.uk/curriculum-overview/> 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 their tutor, Mrs Barkshire (Year 11 Progress Leader) or Mr Bailey (assistant Year 11 Progress Leader).

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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 also be in the correct full school uniform for all examinations.

Intervention

After school intervention will be cancelled during written examination period, to enable students to have more time to relax and prepare for the next exam. There will be no sessions on the dates listed below:

- Tuesday 7 November
- Thursday 9 November
- Tuesday 14 November
- Thursday 16 November
- Tuesday 21 November

Intervention will take place the first week back after the after term holiday and from Thursday 23 November.

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 Barkshire by email using:

general@TheHambleSchool.co.uk

Yours faithfully



Mrs S Valleley
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.