



8th June 2026

Dear Parent/ Carer

As we approach the end of year 10, students are at a crucial stage where they will transition into year 11 and begin the final part of their GCSE journey. In order to secure success at the end of year 11, students will need to demonstrate motivation and commitment to their learning and must establish strong study routines.

As part of their preparation for year 11, students will complete a formal mock period 15.06.26 – 25.06.26. These mock examinations are an excellent opportunity for students to gain experience of how to prepare and conduct themselves in preparation for the real examinations in year 11.

They provide the opportunity for students to

- Experience formal exam conditions and routines
- Develop confidence in managing revision and preparation
- Demonstrate current knowledge and understanding
- Inform the next steps in teaching, intervention, and support ahead of Year 11

To help your child prepare for these exams, please encourage them to be revising at home, ensure they eat and sleep well and remind them to come to their exams fully equipped. If students are entitled to extra time then please encourage them to use this.

Attendance during this time is essential as all missed exams cannot be rescheduled. We would like to inform parents of the expectations for exam conduct so that they can support their child in meeting these. The same expectations will apply whether the exam is in the exam hall or in a classroom.

- Students will be allocated a desk number for these exams. It is important that they know their desk number before the exams and they must sit at the specified desk.
- Students will be encouraged to go to the toilet before the exam as they will not be allowed to leave the exam to go to the toilet unless they have a toilet pass or in an emergency.
- In the exam students should only concentrate on their own work and should not communicate with other students. This involves turning around, smiling at other students and talking to others Any student who disturbs the exam, is caught cheating or communicates with other students in the exam will be sanctioned.
- Students must only take into the examination a drink of water in a clear bottle with no wrapper on the bottle unless they have specific medical needs.
- All equipment must be kept in a clear pencil case.

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- Mobile phones must be switched off and kept in student's bags.
- All watches must be removed and kept in bags.
- Students must write in black pen only.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish your child success in their exam.

Should you wish to discuss this letter further then please do not hesitate to contact myself or Mr Lumley.

Yours sincerely

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Mrs K McGowan
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