

22<sup>nd</sup> November 2021

## Y11 Mock Exams

Dear Y11 Parents / Carers,

Following on from our last letter before half term, I am writing to inform you about the upcoming Year 11 Mocks taking place from **Monday 29th November to Thursday 9th December**.

During the mock period there will be some changes to the school day. Students are expected to arrive every day at the usual time – between 8:00 and 8:30. Their finish time will depend on the length of their afternoon exam. There are no normal Year 11 lessons taking place during the 2-week mock period. Instead, students will have masterclass lessons. These lessons will be revision lessons run by Heads of Department. If a student does not have an exam or a masterclass, they will study in their timetabled classroom – where they will be expected to revise independently. If students don't have an afternoon exam, they will be registered in the dining hall at 2pm by a member of ESLT and then sent home to revise (behaviour dependent).

As mentioned, we are keen to make this mock exam experience as much like the real GCSE weeks as possible. Therefore, if a student misses an exam for an unauthorised reason, they may receive a U grade for that paper. If you are aware of any unavoidable medical (or other) appointments, please let us know immediately so we can reschedule any exams in advance, where possible. *(Please note, students will have a second opportunity to sit GCSE mock exams in March).*

Detention for Year 11 will be operating as normal during this time. Given how hard students have been working and how important this period is, however, we expect very few detentions. Students should be aware that the exams will be externally invigilated so **formal exam behaviour** and conduct will be expected. Failure to meet these expectations (talking in exams or turning around etc.) will be sanctioned severely. Students are expected to attend their mock exams in **full school uniform**.

Students should now be revising at home in preparation for these mock exams and the real GCSEs to follow. Creating a revision timetable will really help them do this in an organised way. We have issued each student with a blank revision timetable and advised them on how to go about this. Please go through these revision timetables with them so you know how they are preparing. Students have also been given a personal copy of their exam timetable. This shows when each of their exams are and how long they will last. Students must take care of these and bring them into school every day during the mock period.

Following the mocks, students will receive their results on the **Mock Results Evening**, which will take place on **Thursday 6th January from 6pm**.

Lastly, we know mock exams can be a pressured and anxious time for many students. Please be assured that we are preparing students for these exams carefully and always have their wellbeing at the heart of everything we do. If you do feel that your child is struggling more than expected however, please do get in touch and let us know - our email addresses are [k.bates@kaa.org.uk](mailto:k.bates@kaa.org.uk) and [r.chauhan@kaa.org.uk](mailto:r.chauhan@kaa.org.uk).

Kind regards,



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## Mock Exam Timetable Week 1 - Monday 29th November - Friday 3rd December

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Start time: 8:45	1 Science - Biology 1 hr 15 mins (combined)  1 hr 45 (triple)	Maths 1 Calculator 1 hr 30 mins	English Literature 1 Christmas Carol An Insp. Calls 1 hr 45 mins	Science - Chem 1 hr 15 mins (combined)  1 hr 45 (triple)	English Language 1 hr 45 mins
End time:	10:15/10:45	10:30	10:45	10:15/10:45	10:45
Start time: 11:15	2 Psychology 1 1 hr 45 mins	PE 1 1 hr 45 mins	Geography 1 Global Geographical Issues 1 hr 30 mins	Computer Sci. 1 1 hr 30	Statistics 1 1 hr 30 mins
End time:	13:15	13:15	13:00	13:00	13:00
Start time: 14:00	3 Religious Education 1 Christianity 1 hr	French Writing Higher: 1 hr 20 mins Foundation: 1 hr 5 mins	History 1 1 hr 15 mins	Religious Education 2 Islam 1 hr	French List & Read Higher: 1 hr 45 mins Foundation: 1 hr 20 mins
End time:	15:15	15:20/15:35	15:30	15:15/15:30	15:35/16:00
		German Writing Higher: 1 hr 20 mins Foundation: 1 hr 5 mins		Music 1 hr 15 mins	German List & Read Higher: 1 hr 45 mins Foundation: 1 hr 20 mins

## Mock Exam Timetable Week 2 - Monday 6th December - Thursday 9th December

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Monday
Start time: 8:45	1 Maths 2 Non-calculator 1 hr 30 mins	Science - Physics 1 hr 15 mins (combined)  1 hr 45 (triple)	Geography 2 UK Geographical Issues 1 hr 10 mins	Religious Education 3 Philosophy & Ethics 1 hr	No Exams	Art/Textiles Exams Session 2  P1-3: 11B/Ar and half of 11C/Ar  P4-6: 11B/Tx and remainder of 11C/Ar
End time:	10:30	10:15/10:45	10:10	10:10		
Start time: 11:15	2 Psychology 2 1 hr 45 mins	History 2 1 hr 20 mins	PE 2 1 hr 15 mins	English Literature 2 Macbeth & Poetry 1 hr 45 mins		
End time:	13:15	12:50	12:45	13:15		
Start time: 14:00	3 DT 1 hr 45 mins	Food prep 1 hr 45 mins	Statistics 2 1 hr 30 mins	Y11 Art and Textiles (11B/Tx and 11B/Ar) Session 1	No Exams	
End time:	16:00	16:00	15:45			
		Computer Sci. 2 1 hr	Dance 1 hr 30 mins			