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Dear Parents and Carers

I would like to inform you of the upcoming Mock Exams all Year 11 students will be sitting this half term. Mock Exams run from **Monday 28 November** until **Wednesday 14 December**. If your child does Spanish or Photography, they will have additional exams during the two weeks before this period. I have attached a mock exam timetable at the end of this letter for your information.

Throughout the exam period, it is important students attend school every day, on time and fully equipped. Recommended equipment includes 2 black pens, a pencil, a ruler, a highlighter and a rubber. If students wish to take a pencil case into the exam room, this must be clear. For some Maths and Science papers, students will also need a scientific calculator. Mobile phones are **NOT** permitted in exam rooms. This means they are not allowed in pockets even if switched off. If a mobile phone goes off in the exam room it would be confiscated as per our school policy and a parent will need to collect it from reception. Watches of any description are also not permitted in the exam rooms. Clocks will be available in rooms to support with timing. Finally, if a student wishes to take in a water bottle, this must be clear with all labels removed.

Students will be in formal exam conditions from the moment they enter the exam room until the point they are permitted to leave. They must not talk to, attempt to communicate with or disturb other students. Students are not permitted to leave the examination room for any reason without permission. **Failure to adhere to these conditions would result in a one hour after-school detention the same day.**

We aim to run these Mock Exams in a very similar way to how the real GCSE exams will run in the summer to give students some familiarity. This means if your child is entitled to any exam dispensation, such as a scribe, reader or extra time, they will receive this in their Mock Exams too.

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To make this possible and to ensure all exams are completed by the end of the school day, Year 11 lunch time will move to **11:55am–12:45pm** from Monday 28 November. During the exam period, morning exams will start at **8:30am** and afternoon exams will start at **12:30pm**. Please support your child in getting to school on time so they have the full amount of time to complete their exams.

The Mock Exam papers will be similar to real GCSE exams papers and will assess students on the content covered in lessons since starting their course. Subject teachers will support students throughout these exams and some lesson time will be dedicated to revision. However, students are advised to do their own independent revision to help prepare themselves for the exams. Everything your child revises now in preparation for the Mock Exams will also be preparing them for their GCSE exams at the end of the year. Therefore, we are encouraging students to take these exams seriously and ensure they are revising. To support with this, we are running Maths, English and Science revision sessions every week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, both in the morning **8:00am-8:25am** and after school **2:45pm-3:45pm**. We would appreciate your support in encouraging your child to attend these sessions.

On Thursday 3 November we held our Year 11 Mock Exam Information Evening. I hope you found this useful and received all the information needed for each of the different subjects. The resources used by Curriculum Leaders can now be found on our school website, on the **Y11 and Post-16 Information** page under the **Students** tab. If you and your child were unable to attend this event, I recommend you spend some time reading through the resources on this page.

On **Thursday 12 January**, all Year 11 students will receive their Mock Exams results in an assembly in school. We will also have our Year 11 Parents' Evening on the same day 4:00pm-7:00pm where you will be able to discuss the results in detail with subject teachers. These exam results will **not** contribute towards your child's overall GCSE grade; however, they can be used to update any predicted grades which are included in post-16 applications.

Next week I will deliver a full year group assembly with Year 11 to talk them through the processes and expectations for these Mock Exams, so that all students are aware of what the exam period will look like. In the meantime, if you or your child has any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me: [nward@newfield.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:nward@newfield.sheffield.sch.uk)

Yours faithfully



**Mrs N Ward**  
**Head of Upper School**

Att: please see Mock Exam Timetable attached

## Y11 Mock Exams Timetable 2022

Date	Subject
Mon 14 November	Spanish Speaking exams
Tues 15 November	Spanish Speaking exams Photography
Thurs 17 November	Spanish Speaking exams Photography exam
Fri 18 November	Spanish Speaking exams Photography exam
Mon 21 November	Spanish Speaking exams
Tues 22 November	Spanish Speaking exams
Wed 23 November	Spanish Speaking exams
Thurs 24 November	Spanish Speaking exams Photography

Date	Time	Subject	Exam Length
Mon 28 November	AM	Maths Paper 1 (non-calculator)	1hr 30mins
	PM	Computing Paper 1	1hr 30mins
Tues 29 November	AM	Science Paper 1 Biology	1hr 15mins 1hr 45mins
	PM	Film Studies	1hr 30mins
Wed 30 November	AM	Spanish Listening & reading	F 35mins/45mins H 45mins/1hr
	PM	History – Medicine	1hr 15mins
Thurs 1 December	AM	English Literature	1hr 45mins
	PM	Geography Paper 1	1hr 30mins
Fri 2 December	AM	Religious Studies Paper 1	1hr 45mins
Date	Time	Subject	Exam Length
Mon 5 December	AM	Maths Paper 2 (calculator)	1hr 30mins
	PM	Spanish Written	1hr 5mins/1hr 20mins
Tues 6 December	AM	Science Paper 2 Chemistry	1hr 15mins 1hr 45mins
	PM	Hospitality and Catering	1hr 30mins
Wed 7 December	AM	Religious Studies Paper 2	1hr 45mins
	PM	Computing Paper 2	1hr 30mins
Thurs 8 December	AM	Maths Paper 3 (calculator)	1hr30mins
	PM	Geography Paper 2	35min& 40mins
Fri 9 December	Art/Art Graphics Exam		
Date	Time	Subject	Exam Length
Mon 12 December	AM	Science Paper 3 Physics	1hr 15mins 1hr 45mins
	PM	Music	1hr 30mins
Tues 13 December	AM	History – Germany	1hr 45mins
	PM	Health & Social	1hr
Wed 14 December	AM	D&T	2hrs