

17th January 2025

Dear Families,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to inform you about home learning and the importance of the upcoming mock exams for Year 11 students.

Mock Exams: Key Dates and Preparation

The mock exams begin on **Monday, 27th January**, and it is essential that students are as prepared as possible for this crucial step in their GCSE journey. These exams not only help students gauge their current progress but also build the skills and resilience they will need for their final examinations.

To support their preparation, all students received:

- A mock exam timetable
- A study skills booklet upon their return to school
- Study skills workshops and walking talking mocks conducted in school

These resources and activities are designed to help students achieve their best possible outcomes. Your support in ensuring that students dedicate time to their studies at home is invaluable during this period.

Supporting Resources

We have made significant investments in effective online resources to further assist students. Key resources include:

- [Year 11 Support Page on the School Website](#)
- [Year 11 Padlet Exam Support](#)
- GCSE Pod
- Seneca Learning (Parents can track progress via [this link](#))
- ClickView

In addition to completing tasks assigned by teachers, students are encouraged to engage in self-directed study. This includes revising using past papers, accessing online platforms, and utilizing subject-specific resources like revision guides.

KS4 Home Learning Timetable:

Subject	Frequency	Y10	Y11
English	Weekly	Up to 1 hour	Up to 2 hours
Maths	Weekly	Up to 1 hour	Up to 2 hours
Combined Science	Weekly	20 minutes per Science	30 minutes per Science
Triple Science	Weekly	30 minutes per Science	40 minutes per Science
Option subjects	Weekly	Up to 1 hour	Up to 2 hours

How You Can Help:

Your involvement is crucial in helping students succeed. Here are some ways you can support their studies:

- Provide a quiet, focused space for revision and study
- Encourage them to follow a structured study schedule based on their home learning timetable
- Regularly review their progress using resources like Seneca Learning or the Year 11 support links

Should you have any concerns or require further guidance, please do not hesitate to contact the Year 11 team.

Thank you for your continued support in helping your child achieve their full potential.

Yours faithfully,

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