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Wednesday 2nd November 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

Year 11 mock examinations

I am writing to you to inform you of my decision to pause Year 11 mocks today.

Yesterday we were incredibly proud of your child's approach to their mock examinations, which we placed in the canteen. However, I feel that the experience of mock examinations was not authentic enough to prepare them for their GCSE examinations in May and June. Today they will spend their day with extra revision sessions to support them with their achievement.

Mock exams will restart tomorrow. To ensure an authentic experience, I have decided that the mock examinations will take place at Newhall Street. This will ensure silence in the corridors for your child to focus on their exams. To build the independence required for your child to be successful in their GCSE exams and in their futures, we have arranged the day as follows:

8:15am – students enter Newhall Street via main reception and move to the canteen, where they will be registered, and breakfast will be available for students.

9:00am – Exam 1 10:30am-10:55am – Morning break 10:55am-11:40am – Exam knowledge retrieval session 1 11:40am-12:30pm – Exam knowledge retrieval session 2 12:30pm-1:10pm – Lunch 1:15pm – Exam 2

3:00pm – Students dismissed following the end of Exam 2. This may mean that some students finish later for longer exams.

A team of teachers will remain with year 11 for the duration

Exams will finish on Tuesday 8th November 2022. Year 11 students will return to Langley Walk as normal on Wednesday 9th November 2022.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Rebecca Bakewell Headteacher

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Further information for the specific day will be shared in our morning exam preparation sessions.

Thursday 3 rd	Friday 4 th	Monday 7 th	Tuesday 8 th November			
November	November	November				
8.35am all students to register in the canteen 8.15am – 8.30am breakfast and exam preparation						
Morning mock exam 9am						
Maths paper 1	Geography	Physics paper 1	Maths paper 2			
(90mins)	paper 1	(Triple 105 min)	(90 min)			
	(90 min)	(Combined 70				
	History paper 1	min)				
	(120 min)					
Break 10.30 – 10.55am						
Exam knowledge retrieval session 1 10.55am – 11.40am						
Key knowledge	Key knowledge	Key knowledge	Key knowledge Literature			
Chemistry	Physics	Maths				
Exam knowledge retrieval session 2 11.40am – 12.30pm						
Key knowledge	Key knowledge	Key knowledge	Early lunch 12.15 – 12.45			
Geography or	option A	option B				
History						
Lunch 12.30-1.10						
Afternoon mock exam 1.15pm						
	Option A	<u>Option B</u>				
	<u>subjects</u>	<u>subjects</u>				
	Comp Sci (90 /	Comp Sci (90 /				
	113 mins)	113 mins)				
Chemistry paper 1	Business	Business	English Literature paper 1			
(Triple 105 min)	Studies (90/	Studies (90/ 113	(135 min)			
(Combined 70 min)	113 mins)	mins)				
	RE (105 mins)	Hospitality and Catering (90 /				
	H&SC (60 / 75 mins)	113 mins)				
	Music (60 / 75	Spanish				
	mins)	(Reading H 60				
	IT (60 mins)	mins F 45 mins)				
	Sports Studies	Sports Studies				
	(60 mins)	(60 mins)				

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	H&SC (60 / 75	
	mins)	

We wish you the very best, prepare well and try your best.

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