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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11 Internal Examinations (Mocks)

There are two periods of internal examinations this year. The first is rapidly approaching. Please see the dates below:

Monday 20th November – Thursday 30th November 2017

Monday 26th February – Friday 9th February 2018

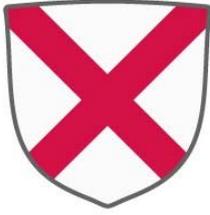
There will be two days of trial Art examinations on Monday 8th and Tuesday 9th January; five hours in exam conditions for each group.

In addition to these dates are the external BTEC Health and Social Care and Cambridge National Sports Science examinations. The Health and Social Care examination will be on the morning of Monday 9th January 2018, the Sports Science examination will be on the afternoon of Friday 12th January 2018. Candidates will receive individual timetables, detailing their seating arrangements, after the half-term holidays.

A provisional timetable for Summer GCSE exams is attached and available on the school website and each student will be issued with a full, personalised timetable, during the Spring term 2017. The actual GCSE Art examinations will take place Monday 30th April to Thursday 3rd May 2018. Each group will have a two day, 10 hour, Art examination.

Students must adhere to all GCSE examination rules and regulations whilst in any exam room. We want to make the mock experience feel as real as possible. The JCQ exam regulations are attached to this letter and should be read carefully. We expect students to have their own equipment. The minimum requirement includes: Two black pens, a pencil, an eraser, a sharpener, a ruler, a compass, a protractor and a Casio scientific calculator. (All equipment is available to purchase from school).

Internal examinations are really important in enabling the school to track progress for all students. We will use the results to identify students for extra intervention and mentoring.



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Internal examinations are extremely important, and the results of these are used when deciding tiers of entry for the external GCSE exams at the end of Year 11. If a student is absent for an internal exam, they must catch up as soon as possible, during an afterschool session. Obviously this would not be possible for the actual external GCSE exams, where an absence would lead to an unclassified grade.

It is very important that all students put as much effort in preparing for the internal examinations as possible. They are encouraged to look back over their notes in their exercise books from this year and from year 10. They should ask to take textbooks home for revision and use online revision resources such as BBC Bitesize, Educationquizzes.com, Mymaths, Kerboodle etc. Revision guides and work books are an invaluable tool in consolidating learning and gaining further understanding. If you would like any advice regarding purchasing these guides, please ask your child's subject teacher.

Please find attached, the first internal examination timetable for Year 11. Should you have any questions about these arrangements, please do not hesitate to contact the college.

Yours faithfully

Mr. I. Waite
Deputy Headteacher