



16th January 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re. Mock exams - week commencing 29th January 2024

I am writing to let you know that week commencing 29th January will see the start of our Year 13 mock exams. These have particular importance because they are the last formal mock exams before students sit their finals in May and June.

It is really important that all students revise thoroughly and work really hard on these mocks; they are essential for helping students understand what they need to work on and improve for the finals. However, if a student has not properly prepared for them, they will not be an accurate measure of their true strengths and areas for improvement. Therefore, the time to start fully revising for these mocks is right now, and the sixth form team will be running sessions in tutor time on different revision techniques that students can try.

As a parent, we ask you to support your child by emphasising the importance of putting the hours in at home to revise and to make it an expectation that they are doing so. Every hour spent now will be time very well spent; in building confidence, in helping to understand how things are connected and in keeping vital knowledge in the memory for the real exams later this year. Your encouragement from home, and our encouragement every day at school is part of us working together to help your child achieve the best results they can.

If your child needs any support in understanding what to revise from or how to revise in a subject, they should in the first instance speak to their subject teacher for guidance, or speak to a member of the sixth form team for support. There are also useful resources on the school website in the sixth form section.

We wish your child a productive month of study and a really successful exam period. As ever, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch with a member of the sixth form team

Yours faithfully

Miss E Kelly
Head of Sixth Form