

2nd October 2015

Dear Parents & Carers,

Year 11 mock examinations run from 3rd - 11th November for which a full timetable will be published on the College website in due course. I wish to provide you with the salient details in order that you are able to support fully both your child and the College. I will deliver an expanded version of these details to the year group via assembly on Monday 2nd November.

The purpose of the examinations is to provide both students and teachers alike with information regarding students' current understanding as well as gaps in their knowledge. Furthermore, it is the mock examinations that inform teachers when providing predicted grades to support college / sixth form applications. It is, therefore, imperative that students take the mock examinations very seriously both in terms of their preparation and conduct. Personalised timetables will be provided to ensure that all students know what is happening and when. Please ask your child to share this information with you so you can firstly monitor their revision and, secondly, ensure they leave home with extra time to spare for morning examinations. As per examination regulations, students must write in black biro and store all equipment in a transparent pencil case. Regarding electronic devices, in particular mobile phones, these must not be in the possession of the student nor inside the examination room. All such items must be handed in prior to the exam where they will be kept securely. It may be easier to leave these items at home when examinations are taking place.

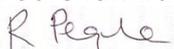
I must make it plain that any student not following the examination regulations, or who are deemed to be in breach of any College rule during the examinations, will be dealt with accordingly and appropriately sanctioned. Furthermore, in adherence to current government legislation, penalty notices will be issued should unauthorised absence occur during this examination period.

I thank you in advance for your support and cooperation, please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries regarding this matter. Please note that there will be a second set of mock examinations in March 2016.

Checklist for parents:

- Ensure your child fully understands the mock examination timetable.
- Ensure your child creates a revision timetable and adheres to it.
- Encourage your child to make full use of teachers, tutors, revision guides and resources available to them.
- Ensure all relevant equipment is available.
- Ensure punctuality to all examinations.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R Pegler', written in a cursive style.

Richard Pegler
Assistant Headteacher