

November 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

YEAR 11 TRIAL EXAMINATIONS Trial Exam Leave – Tuesday, 11th December to Thursday, 20th December 2018

Overleaf we provide a copy of the Year 11 Trial Examinations timetable. Students need to make careful note of the dates, start times and venues for the subjects they are studying.

This period is an important first rehearsal opportunity for the final GCSE examinations next summer; further mocks will occur in March 2019. Along with parents we want all our students to achieve the very best of which they are capable. There is an obvious link between ultimate success and the individual's approach to revision. There is no easy way – concentrated hard study with material committed to memory, and skills practised and repractised are essential for all. Teachers will give advice about revision techniques and the content of the trial exam paper(s).

During the above period students must arrive for their scheduled examinations in correct uniform and with the necessary equipment. Study leave will commence on Tuesday, 11th December. Students sitting Art will do so on Monday, 10th December. During trial exam leave – Tuesday, 11th December to Thursday, 20th December 2018, students need to sign in and out at reception. Students are able to use study room facilities in between exams or study at home. Students using school transport will have more limited options as it is not possible to re-arrange bus schedules – the same will apply in the summer.

Students studying for some BTEC and VCERT qualifications will be sitting external exams outside the usual summer exam window and their exam practice will take place during lesson time in the run-up to the external exams. Those students resitting the external Engineering BTEC exam will do so in the week commencing 3rd December.

Wishing good luck to all our Year 11 students.

Yours sincerely

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