

Year 11 Update

February 2018

Dear Parent

The Spring Term – Mock Examinations and College/Apprenticeship applications.

Year 11 pupils will sit their second mock examinations in the three core subjects of English, mathematics and science immediately after the half term break (see timetable attached) and the results will be used to update their predicted GCSE grades. As you are aware, these predicted grades are used by colleges and training providers to help inform their conditional offers for this September. Therefore, I would strongly advise that preparation for the mock examinations continues during the half term and welcome the support and encouragement given by parents.

The college application process is well underway with some colleges and sixth forms having already interviewed pupils and made conditional offers. Receiving an offer of a place with a college or training provider for September 2018 hopefully comes as a sense of relief and motivation for many young people. I would therefore encourage pupils to make any final applications as soon as possible so as not to be disappointed. Pupils are not obliged to commit to a specific course until September 2018 and therefore they can keep their options open and apply to more than one college, sixth form or training provider at this stage.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me so that we can make the most of this very important year.

Yours sincerely

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Year 11 Coordinator



Yr11 Practice Examination Timetable

| Date | Period | Exam | Length |
|---------------------------|--------|----------------------|--------------|
| 20 th February | 1&2 | English Literature | 50mins |
| 21 st February | 1&2 | English Language | 2hrs |
| 22 nd February | 1&2 | Biology | 1hr10/1hr45* |
| | 3&4 | Chemistry | 1hr10/1hr45 |
| 26 th February | 1&2 | Maths Calculator | 1hr30 |
| | 3&4 | Physics | 1hr10/1hr45* |
| 28 th February | 1&2 | Maths Non-calculator | 1hr30 |

*Pupils sitting Triple Science will have exams of 1hr45, all other pupils will have exams of 1hr10

Please note in addition to these timetabled exams, a 'walking/talking' Maths practice will be held during class time