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Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child is due to start their mock examinations on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November. Please find attached the timetable. Students will be given personalised copies of this during form time on the first week back after half term. These results can be used as evidence for applications to post-16 providers, so will be run as close to exam procedures as possible. Due to this, I would like to draw to your attention some new updates for this academic year.

The JCQ General Regulations for Approved Centres 2024-2025 update now states the following:

*“7. Do not talk to or try to communicate with, or disturb other candidates once you have entered the exam room.”*

This now includes any form of communication, both verbal and non-verbal. Students breaching this will be reported to the exam board regulators and may have their papers disqualified. The regulations also go on to state:

*“19.3 Candidates must hand in their mobile phones and any other unauthorised items if they have not already done so. This is their final chance. Failure to do so **must** be reported to the relevant awarding body and may lead to disqualification.”*

Due to these adaptations being implemented for Summer 2025 examinations, we have taken the decision to follow these regulations for the mock exams to ensure that students are familiar with these procedures in advance. Please support us in working with your child to ensure that there is no communication with any students at all in the exam room, and that electronic devices are handed in or remain in the locked areas during examinations. All JCQ and exam documents can be found on our school website under the Examination Information and Dates section.

Please also find attached a copy of the deadlines for non-exam assessment (NEA) for all subjects this academic year. Students with work not completed by these deadlines may be too late to be submitted to the relevant awarding body and lose this element of their qualification.

We look forward to preparing your child for their upcoming GCSEs, and to celebrate these mock exam results with them. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Whitfield

Assistant Headteacher

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