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RE: Year 10 Mock Arrangements - May 2024

Dear Year 10 Parents & Carers,

I am writing to provide you with some important information regarding the upcoming Year 10 Mock Exams. All the information below has been explained to students in school. It would, however, be advisable to discuss these plans with your child at home, to help ensure they have the best chance of success.

The Year 10 Mock Exams will begin on Wednesday 1st May and will continue across two weeks, ending on Tuesday 14th May. Your child will be provided with a finalised exam timetable - with seat numbers - within the next week or so. This should be checked carefully, and referred to during the exam period. Students should attend each mock exam knowing their seat number and with all the necessary equipment in a **clear** pencil case. Students are expected to wear full school uniform as normal and must **not** have any electronic devices on their person during any exam. These include, but are not limited to: mobile 'phones, watches (of any kind) and earphones. The consequence of being found with such items in their real GCSEs in Year 11 exam will likely involve the disqualification from one or more exam papers. As such, we want to ensure all students are well-versed in following exam protocols.

Each morning students should register in the **Theatre at 08:30** rather than going to morning form time. It is extremely important that students are punctual, as delaying the start of the first assessment in the morning can have a knock-on effect on assessments later in the day. Please be aware that on some days the afternoon exams may finish later than our typical school day end time of 15:15.

We expect students to sit the full complement of mock assessments wherever possible. If your child is ill on a day they are due to sit a mock exam, please contact the school office as is standard practice for student absence. When the student is back in school, we shall look into when the assessment can be re-scheduled.

All students are required to remain in school full-time during the mock exam period, as there is **no** study leave. When not sitting an exam, students will be supported in their usual timetabled lessons, during which time they can revise independently. Students have been encouraged to complete a suitable amount of revision for these exams. Any support which can be offered at home to prepare fully for the mock exams would be greatly appreciated.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Kind regards,

C. Gough Pastoral Leader – Year 10