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Autumn mock exams 18th November – 4th December

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to inform you about the importance of our mock exam session which starts on Monday 18th November and runs until Thursday 5th December. Students in years 11, 12 and 13 will take mock exams in all of their subjects. For years 11 and 13 these will take place under full exam conditions. This is done to give students a true experience of what they will face next summer when the final examinations take place. For year 12, the exams will be in class but will still be completed under formal conditions. It is expected that students prepare for these exams with the same level of commitment that would be given to their real exams in the summer. This involves students undertaking independent after school study and revision in the weeks leading up to the assessment window; we would recommend a minimum of 2 hours a day for year 11, and 4 to 5 for years 12 and 13. It is only with this full commitment that students can test themselves against the assessment criteria that they will face next year to identify gaps in knowledge and allow their teachers to support them with these.

Students are aware of this, but we would appreciate your support and encouragement of your child in the run up to these mock exams at this important time of the academic year. Please see the attached timetable which contains all of the details of the examination weeks. This is also available on the school website.

Yours sincerely

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