

7 February 2023

Dear Year 11 Parent/Carer

### **Year 11 Mock Examinations - Monday 6 March - Monday 20 March**

I am pleased to be able to share with you the details of the mock exams that your child will complete during the March mock exam period. These mock exams are an important part of the work that your child is completing to prepare for their GCSE examinations in summer which are now only a matter of months away.

These mock exams will ensure that your child fully understands the formal JCQ examination regulations, and how GCSE exams will run at Outwood Normanby. They will also enable students to practise their revision techniques, and the feedback they receive from these mock exams will indicate where students need to focus their revision moving forward. These examinations will provide your child's teachers with a clear indication of where they may need additional support over the coming months to be able to achieve their full potential during the summer 2023 GCSE exam period.

You can find the mock exam timetable below which shows all mock exams which will take place during the exam period.

#### Week 1:

Day	Date	Tutor	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Lunch 12-12.30pm Period 4	Period 5
<b>Mon</b>	<b>6 March</b>	Revision breakfast 7.30am	Biology Combined 75 mins/ Triple 1 hr 45 mins	Spanish masterclass LAI	Spanish - listening and reading		
<b>Tues</b>	<b>7 March</b>	Revision breakfast 7.30am	English Literature (Component 1) 2 hrs	History masterclass HUM2 / HUM3 Geography masterclass HUM1/ HUM4	History 1 hr 15 mins Geography (Paper 1) 1 hr 30 mins		
<b>Wed</b>	<b>8 March</b>	Revision breakfast 7.30am	Maths (Paper 1 - non calc) 1 hr 30 mins		Polish - listening and reading <i>Catch up exams for absent students</i>		
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>9 March</b>	Revision breakfast 7.30am	Chemistry Combined 75 mins/ Triple 1 hr 45 mins	Spanish masterclass LAI	Spanish - writing (Geog for 6 students)		
<b>Fri</b>	<b>10 March</b>	Revision breakfast 7.30am	English Language (Component 1) 1 hr 45 min	Science masterclass SCI-SC6	Physics Combined 75 mins/ Triple 1 hr 45 mins		

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Week 2

<b>Mon</b>	<b>13 March</b>	Revision breakfast 7.30am MA1-MA6	Maths (Paper 2 - calc) 1 hr 30 mins	Computer Science masterclass MA6	Computer Science (Paper 1) 1 hr 30 mins
<b>Tues</b>	<b>14 March</b>	Revision breakfast 7.30am EN1-EN7	English Language (Component 2) 2 hrs	History masterclass HUM2 / HUM3 Geography masterclass HUM1/ HUM4	History 1 hr 45 mins Geography (Paper 2) 1 hr 30 mins
<b>Wed</b>	<b>15 March</b>	Revision in school			
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>16 March</b>	8am Maths masterclass MA1-MA6	Maths (Paper 3 - calc) MA1-MA6 1 hr 30 mins	Revision in school <i>Computer Science masterclass VOC I</i>	
<b>Fri</b>	<b>17 March</b>	Revision breakfast 7.30am TE2 (DT), TE3 (Ca)	Design and Technology- 2 hrs Hospitality and Catering 1 hr 30 mins Computer Science (Paper 2) 1 hr 30 mins (Geog for 6 students)	<i>Catch up exams for absent students</i>	

Week 3

<b>Mon</b>	<b>20 March</b>	Revision breakfast 7.30am EN1-EN7	English Literature (Component 2) 2 hrs 30 mins		Polish - writing <i>Catch up exams for absent students</i>
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The Fine Art exam will also take place for the full day on **21 March**, and the Textiles exam on **22 March**.

Please find additional details regarding the mock exams below:

Revision breakfasts

Before every morning exam there will be a revision breakfast session starting at 7.30am. The revision breakfast is a fantastic opportunity for students to complete final preparations for each exam, including receiving a free breakfast. This is an important part of preparing for each exam - just as we will do in the summer GCSE exams - and we hope that every student takes up this opportunity.

Morning exams

Students with a morning exam should arrive at school at 7.30am and join their teachers in their normal lesson classrooms. After breakfast is served in the dining area, students will line up on the yard outside the exam hall by 8.40am. Examinations will commence promptly at 8.45am.

### Afternoon exams

To accommodate the afternoon exams, Year 11 will have their lunch between 12.00pm - 12.30pm. Students who have an afternoon exam will line up outside the exam hall at 12.30pm for a prompt start. Students who do not have an afternoon exam will go to normal timetabled lessons.

### Expectations

Dr Robinson will conduct an assembly with Year 11 to remind students of the exam regulations which you can find outlined below:

- Students must remain in silence at all times in the examination hall, and must not attempt to communicate with any other student
- Students must not carry an electronic device - this includes mobile phones, headphones, and smart watches
- Students must only have a transparent water bottle or pencil case (although equipment will be provided for each examination)
- Students must leave all of their belongings in the designated area.

These are the basic expectations of the JCQ (Joint Council for Qualifications). Student misconduct during actual GCSE examinations rightly has to be reported to the examination boards, to preserve the integrity of national qualifications. Misconduct can lead to being disqualified and not receiving a grade. It is important that students experience the same conditions during mock examinations so they are familiar with them, and gain confidence and resilience tackling some relatively long papers.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me via [c.gibson@normanby.outwood.com](mailto:c.gibson@normanby.outwood.com) if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours faithfully,



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