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Dear Parents/Guardians

Year 10 Mock Examinations

Please find attached the Trial Examination Timetable for your child commencing on Monday 27 June 2022 and Monday 4 July.

These exams are intended to give students the opportunity to experience and prepare for a set of examinations similar to the GCSEs they will be sitting in the Summer 2023. The exams will be used to identify where students have gaps in knowledge and understanding so that these can be addressed by teachers in class. They will also help to inform class groupings in Year 11 and tier of entry for the final GCSEs. Therefore, it is imperative that Year 10 approach these with maturity and prepare themselves as thoroughly as possible.

Class teachers and departments will be explaining over the next few weeks what these exams will involve and what they will need to do to prepare. Students will be expected to revise independently and get themselves organised for the exam period.

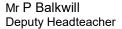
Students must bring the following essential equipment to all exams; two black pens/biros, a pencil, a ruler, rubber and scientific calculator. Mathematics will also require students to bring a compass and protractor. Please support your child to ensure that they have these items and are organised for the exams.

We will also be grading students on the effort they have shown in the examination. This will be reported to parents in the final Progress Check of the year in July. The grades will provide the school and parents with an indication of the effort and maturity shown toward these exams.

Grade 1 Good	Worked well throughout and gave 100%. Had a responsible attitude and made full use of time. Checked back his/her answers and added to responses when finished. Displayed a mature approach to the exam
Grade 2 Inconsistent	Didn't give 100% during the exam. Rushed through the paper exam and finished 20-30 minutes before the end of the exam. Did not go back and check his/her answers and sat there doing little or nothing. Inconsistent throughout the exam and was not consistently focused. Answered some answers while not attempting others.
Grade 3 Poor	Made little attempt to answer the exam questions. Spent the majority of the exam doing nothing. Negative behaviour that could have impacted on another student's exam success. Disturbed or disrupted the exam. Didn't engage with the paper. Inappropriate behaviour entering and leaving the exam hall.

Should you have any further questions or queries, please feel free to contact your child's tutor in the first instance via the main reception.

Yours faithfully





Year 10 Trial Exam Timetable June- July 2022

Wb 27.6.22 Week B	Periods 1-2	Periods 3-4	Period 5
Monday 27 June	Mathematics Paper 3 1hr 30 mins	English Paper 1 1hr 45 minutes	BTEC Sport NEA
Tuesday 28 June	Computer Science 1hr 30 mins	Combined Science Paper 1 (Physics) 1hr 15 minutes Triple Science Paper 1 Physics 1hr 45 minutes	BTEC Sport NEA
Wednesday 29 June	French Writing 1hr German Writing 1hr	Mathematics Paper 1 1hr 30mins	French Listening & Reading
Thursday 30 June	Creative Imedia 1hr 30 minutes	English Paper 2 1hr 45 minutes	German Listening & Reading
Friday 1 July	Design and Technology 2hrs (8:30 start)	Combined Science Paper 1 (Chemistry) 1hr 15 minutes Triple Science Paper 1 Chemistry 1hr 45 minutes	BTEC Sport NEA

Wb 4.7.22 Week A	Periods 1-2	Periods 3-4	Period 5
Monday 4 July	Food Preparation and Nutrition 1hr 30 minutes	Mathematics Paper 2 1hr 30 mins	BTEC Sport NEA
Tuesday 5 July	Geography Paper 1hr 30 mins	History Paper 1hr 30 mins	BTEC Sport NEA
Wednesday 6 July	Yeovil College Day	Yeovil College Day	Yeovil College Day
Thursday 7 July	Music NEA Art & Design NEA	Music NEA Art & Design NEA	Music NEA Art Textiles NEA
Friday 8 July	Music NEA Photography NEA	Music NEA Photography NEA	Art Textiles NEA