

11th of October 2022

Dear Parent or Carer,

Re: Year 11 Mock Examinations, 31st October 2022

I hope that this letter finds you and your family well.

We are delighted to inform you that our Year 11 students continue to show excellent determination and motivation as they continue their journey towards their GCSE examinations.

As we now look towards the forthcoming mock examinations which start on the 31st of October, students are now busy preparing themselves for this crucial practice run for the GCSE examinations which will also help to inform their predicted grades for their post-16 choices. Students have received their mock examination timetable and will have collected topic lists and any revision resources from their classroom teachers. It is important that each student spends time over the next three weeks building up a programme of revision to ensure they get the very most out of the mock examination process.

Students are currently working with their one-to-one coaches planning out their half term holiday revision. As a rule of thumb, we recommend 30 minutes of revision for each subject per day with breaks in between.

With student wellbeing in mind, we will be allowing students to leave the school after their final examination of the day to prepare for the next day at home. If you would prefer your child to stay in school, please get in contact.

We look forward to analysing all of the data from the mock examinations and using it to understand your child's current levels of understanding and to plan the next steps as we move onward towards the summer GCSE's.

If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to get in contact.

Best wishes



Jonathan Palmer
Deputy Head Teacher
Wapping High School

Year 11 Mock Exam Timetable

Key Information:

- Students **must** arrive to school on time each day and be ready on the roof at 8.30am
- Students **must** be ready on the roof at 11.00am for your second exam each day
- Students **must** bring the full equipment required for each exam, including a calculator
- **Mobile Phones and Smart Watches** are not permitted inside the exam room

Day and Date	Time	Subject	Location	Time
Monday 31/10	08.30am	Maths Paper 1	Hall	1 Hour 30 Min
Monday 31/10	11.00am	Food & Nutrition	TBC	1 Hour 45 Min
Monday 31/10	11.00am	Drama	TBC	1 Hour 45 Min
Monday 31/10	11.00am	French	TBC	1 Hour 45 Min (F) 2 Hour 15 Min (H)
Monday 31/10	11.00am	Health & Social and Digital Lessons 3 & 4 as Normal		
Tuesday 01/11	08.30am	English Language	Hall	1 Hour 45 Min
Tuesday 01/11	11.00am	Biology	Hall	1 Hour 15 Min
Wednesday 02/11	08.30am	English Literature	Hall	1 Hour 45 Min
Wednesday 02/11	11.00am	History (CMA)	Hall	2 Hours
Wednesday 02/11	11.00am	Geography (RHA 11B)	Hall	1 Hour 30 Min
Wednesday 02/11	11.00am	Art, Enterprise and Sport Lesson 3 as Normal		
Thursday 03/11	08.30am	Maths Paper 2	Hall	1 Hour 30 Min
Thursday 03/11	11.00am	Chemistry	Hall	1 Hour 30 Min
Friday 04/11	08.30am	Spanish	TBC	1 Hour 45 Min (F) 2 Hour 15 Min (H)
Friday 04/11	08.30am	History (JCO)	Hall	2 Hours
Friday 04/11	08.30am	Geography (RHA 11A)	Hall	1 Hour 30 Min

Friday 04/11	08.30am	Technology	Hall	2 Hours
Friday 04/11	08.30am	Sociology	Hall	1 Hour 45 Min
Friday 04/11	11.00am	Physics	Hall	1 Hour 15 Min

Key Information for the Year Ahead:

<p>GCSE Examination Information</p>	<p>Key dates:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>October 31st</td> <td>Mock Exams 1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>January 12th</td> <td>Year 11 Parents Event 2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>February 1st</td> <td>BTEC and Drama Exams</td> </tr> <tr> <td>February 20th</td> <td>Mock Exams 2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>March / April</td> <td>Art Exam</td> </tr> <tr> <td>April</td> <td>Languages Speaking exams</td> </tr> <tr> <td>May & June</td> <td>GCSE Examinations</td> </tr> </table> <p>For more information, contact jonathanpalmer@wappinghigh.org</p>	October 31st	Mock Exams 1	January 12th	Year 11 Parents Event 2	February 1st	BTEC and Drama Exams	February 20th	Mock Exams 2	March / April	Art Exam	April	Languages Speaking exams	May & June	GCSE Examinations
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<p>Revision skills that really work...</p>	<p>Repetition: Studies suggest that you have to learn something three – six times before you will have it in your Long Term Memory. Repeating the same activities at spaced intervals will help you to learn better.</p> <p>Recall/quizzes: Doing small tests regularly will help you remember more content. It doesn't matter how well you do, these are quizzes to help you learn, not to test you.</p> <p>Getting things wrong: If you get something wrong or find it hard your brain is more likely to remember it for next time.</p> <p>Doing things from memory: Using your memory alone (without notes) is the best way to transfer things to your Long Term Memory.</p> <p><i>'Top Tip': Put the phone away, reduce distractions, and quiz yourself for 30 minute chunks with 10 minute breaks in between.</i></p> <p>For more information, contact: nicolettesorbe@wappinghigh.org</p>														
<p>Post 16 Options</p>	<p>Sixth Form: Predominantly A Level courses and offer excellent progression into universities.</p> <p>Colleges: A mix of A Level and BTEC courses with support for those wanting to go onto university. They offer a more flexible approach with greater student independence.</p> <p>Level 3 Apprenticeships (equivalent to 2 A Levels or 1 Level 3 BTEC): Allow you to be paid whilst gaining a qualification and offer experience in the industry you want to work in.</p>														

	<p>Next Steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Spend time researching options (there are lots out there!) 2) Check websites for Open Evenings - book ahead 3) When visiting ask about the course, assessment and success rate 4) Apply to a range of places. <p>For more information, contact: tomdean@wappinghigh.org</p>
Year 11 Coaching Programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → One-to-one coaching for each Year 11 student → Fortnightly meetings with students leading the conversation → Growth of goal-setting, problem-solving and decision-making skills → Focus on achievement, next steps and wellbeing <p>For more information, contact: tiffanyingram@wappinghigh.org</p>
English Language and Literature	<p>Exams: English Language (x2), English Literature (x2) Texts studied: Woman in Black, Romeo & Juliet, Jekyll & Hyde Exam Board: Edexcel Revision: Every Thursday at 3.40pm Assessment: Mini-mock exams every two weeks</p>
Maths	<p>Exams: Paper 1 (Non-calculator), Paper 2 & 3 (calculator) Exam Board: Edexcel Revision: Every Monday at 3.40pm Assessment: Mini-mock every two weeks 'Go-to' Revision Website: https://www.onmaths.com/</p>
Science	<p>Exams: Biology, Chemistry, Physics Exam Board: AQA Revision: Every Friday at 3.40pm Revision Materials: Revision guides available from school for £10 'Go-to' Revision Website: https://www.century.tech/</p>
Art	<p>A portfolio of two projects that must include clear evidence of the creative journey from initial engagement to the realisation of intentions. Exam Board: AQA</p>
Drama	<p>Exam: Written on the text 'DNA'</p>

	<p>Performances: October 13th and February 1st Exam Board: Edexcel Support: Every Thursday afternoon during Enrichment</p>
French & Spanish	<p>Exams: Speaking, Writing, Listening, Reading Exam Board: AQA Spanish Revision: Every Tuesday at 3.40pm French Revision: Every Thursday at 3.40pm 'Go-to' Revision Website: https://www.languagenut.com/en-gb/</p>
Geography	<p>Exams: Paper 1 (Natural Hazards, Living World & UK Landscapes), Paper 2 (Urban Issues, Economic World, Resource Management) and Paper 3 (Issue Evaluation) Exam Board: AQA Revision: Every Wednesday at 1.00pm 'Go-to' Revision Website: https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/</p>
History	<p>Exams: Germany, Conflict and Tension, Elizabethan England, Health and the People Exam Board: AQA Revision: Every Tuesday at 3.40pm 'Go-to' Revision Website: https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/</p>
Sociology	<p>Exams: Paper 1 (Family and Education), Paper 2 (Crime, Deviance and Social Stratification) Exam Board: AQA</p>
BTEC Sport, Enterprise, Digital and Health & Social	<p>Exam: Paper 1 (40% of the grade) Exam Board: Edexcel / Pearson Digital Revision: Every Tuesday at 3.40pm</p>