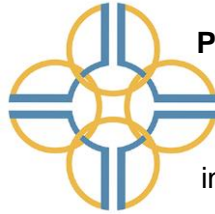


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1st March 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are pleased to be able to share with you the final details of the year 11 mock exams. These mock exams are an important part of the work that your child is completing to prepare for their GCSE summer examinations. At Parkhall Integrated College, we want to ensure that your child is fully prepared for the summer examinations, and we hope that you will fully support us in delivering a successful mock examination period.

These mock exams will ensure that your child fully understands the formal JCQ examination regulations, and how GCSE exams will run at Parkhall Integrated College. They will also enable students to practise their revision techniques, and the feedback they will receive from these mock exams will indicate where students need to focus their revision on. These examinations will also provide your child's teachers with a clear indication of where they may need additional support to be able to achieve their full potential during the summer 2024 exam period.

Year 11 Mock Exams - Tuesday, April 9th, to Friday, April 12th:

The year 11 mock exam period will be between Tuesday, April 9th, and Friday, April 12th. These exams will take place in the Assembly Hall. Students need to arrive at school at the normal start time, which is 9:00 AM. We appreciate your support in ensuring that your child arrives at school on time to allow for a smooth start to the exams. Once the exams are completed, students will be permitted to go home and spend time independently revising for their next mock exams. Once the mock exams are completed, normal classes for all Year 11 students will resume on Monday, April 15th.

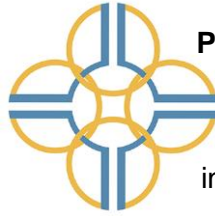
Mock Exam Schedule:

Tuesday 9th April			
Time	OPTION D	Length	Venue
9.15 - 11.00	English Language Unit 1	1 hour 45 mins	Assembly Hall
Break 11.00 - 11.15 Canteen			
Time	OPTION C	Length	Venue
11.30-12.30	ICT - Portfolio	1 hour	ICT1 & ICT3
11.30-12.30	Child Development	1 hour	Assembly Hall
11.30-12.30	Public Services	1 hour	Careers 1
11.30-12.30	Geography	1 hour	Assembly Hall
11.30-13.30	French	2 hours	Assembly Hall
11.30-13.00	Drama	1 hour 30 mins	Assembly Hall

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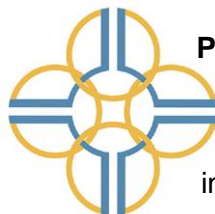
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Wednesday 10th April			
Time	OPTION	Length	Venue
9.15-10.45	English Literature	1 hour 30 mins	Assembly Hall
9.15-10.45	Construction	30mins prep + 1 hour	Systems Room
9.15-10.45	RE	1 hour 30 mins	Assembly Hall
9.15-10.45	Health and Social Care	1 hour 30 mins	Assembly Hall
9.15-10.45	Music	1 hour 30 mins	MUSIC 1
Break 10.45 - 11.00 Canteen			
Time	OPTION B	Length	Venue
11.15 - 12.30	History	1 hour 15 mins	Assembly Hall
11.15 - 12.15	HE	1 hour	Assembly Hall
11.15 - 15.05	Art (Lunch 12.30 Canteen)	2 hours 50 mins	Art Rooms
11.15 - 12.30	BTEC Travel & Tourism	1 hour 15 mins	Assembly Hall
11.15 - 13.30	BACS	2 Hours plus printing	ICT Rooms
Thursday 11th April			
Time	OPTION B	Length	Venue
9.15-10.15	SA Science	1 hour	Assembly Hall
9.15-10.15	DA Science	1 hour	Assembly Hall
Break 10.15 - 10.30 Canteen			
Time	OPTION A	Length	Venue
10.45 - 12.45	Further Maths	2 hours	Assembly Hall
10.45 - 12.00	Drama	1 hour 15 mins	Assembly Hall
10.45 - 12.45	Spanish GCSE	2 hours	Assembly Hall
10.45 - 11.45	Media Studies	1 hour	Assembly Hall
Friday 12th April			
Time	OPTION B	Length	Venue
9.15 - 11.00	Mathematics Unit 2 (F)	1 hour 45 mins	Assembly Hall
9.15 - 11.15	11PK2 Mathematics Unit 3 (H)	2 hours	Assembly Hall
9.15 - 11.45	11PK1 Mathematics Unit 7 (H)	2 hours 30 mins	Assembly Hall
Break 11.00 - 11.15 Canteen			
11.15 - 14.35	Moving Image Art	3 hours 20 mins	Music Mac Rm

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Expectations

Mock exams follow the expectations of the college and of the national exam regulations which you can find outlined below. Misconduct can lead to being disqualified and not receiving a grade.

- Students must remain in silence at all times in the examination hall, and must attempt to communicate with any other student
- Students must not carry an electronic device – this includes mobile phones, headphones and watches
- Students must only have a transparent water bottle and transparent pencil case.
- Once students arrive in the examination hall, students must leave all of their belongings in the designated areas.

Useful Revision Resources:

To assist our year 11 students in their exam preparation, we recommend the use of the following revision resources:

- Parkhall Mathematics Website (past papers and solutions available)
- GCSEPod
- Sparx Maths
- Corbett Maths

These resources are valuable tools to help students consolidate their knowledge and excel in their mock exams and the subsequent External GCSE Modules.

Self-Care

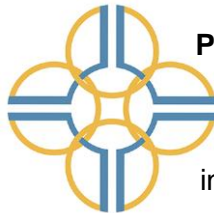
We know that examinations can be a challenging part of school life for both children and young people, and their parents or carers. Students' wellbeing is our priority; staff are here to support students through this, and below are some websites which give some useful advice:

- [Help your child beat exam stress – NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)
- [Exam Stress | Coping Strategies | DEAL | Samaritans](#)
- [Exam Stress | How To Deal with Exam Stress | YoungMinds](#)
- [Managing stress and building resilience – tips – Mind](#)

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Thank you for your continued partnership as we work together to ensure the success and well-being of your child. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with us if you have any questions about the mock exams.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'C. Graham'.

Mr C Graham

Senior Leader: Assessment & Progress

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Mr A Cunningham

Exams Officer