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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We hope this letter finds you well. We are writing to provide you with important information regarding the Year 11 Mock GCSE exams, which are a significant part of our students' preparations for the upcoming External GCSE Modules starting on November 13th, 2023.

Year 11 Mock Exams:

On Tuesday, October 24th, and Wednesday, October 25th, our Year 11 students will be participating in Mock GCSE exams. These exams will be held in the Sports Hall and are a crucial component of our efforts to ensure our students are well-prepared for their External GCSE Modules.

Regular Timetable on Exam Days:

It's important to note that on both Tuesday, October 24th, and Wednesday, October 25th, students will follow their regular timetables for classes that are not affected by the mock exams. This means that some students may have their usual classes on these days.

For students in the Irvine and Massereene groups who are involved in the mock exams, they will be excused from their regular classes during the assigned times of the mock exams. This is to ensure that they can fully concentrate on their exams without any interruptions.

Mock Exam Schedule:

Tuesday				
24th October	Year 11	<i>GCSE Maths PK1</i>	1.05 – 3.05	Sports Hall
		<i>GCSE Maths PK2</i>	1.05 – 3.05	
Wednesday				
25th October	Year 11	<i>GCSE Double Award Biology</i>	1.05 – 2.05	Sports Hall
		<i>GCSE Double Award Chemistry</i>	1.05 – 2.05	Sports Hall
		<i>GCSE Double Award Physics</i>	1.05 – 2.05	Sports Hall

Useful Revision Materials:

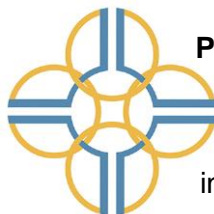
To support our Year 11 students in their exam preparation, we recommend the use of the following revision materials:

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

Our Vision: To provide a caring learning environment where we all feel valued and respected and are empowered to reach our full potential

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These resources are valuable tools to help students review and reinforce their understanding of the subjects being tested. We encourage you to ensure that your child utilizes these revision materials to enhance their preparation for the mock exams and the upcoming 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](#)

Return to Normal Timetable:

Students are not in school on 26th & 27th October to facilitate form tutor interviews and a Staff Development Day.

Normal classes for all Year 11 students will resume on Monday 6th November.

Your support and involvement in your child's education are greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to help our Year 11 students succeed in their academic journey.

Sincerely,

Mr C Graham

Senior Leader: Assessment & Progress