

7<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Dear Parent

## Year 10, 11 and 13 Trial Examinations

Towards the end of November, your child will take part in a series of trial examinations. We aim to provide our students with significant experience of GCSE and A-Level examinations as we know this helps students prepare for their final papers which they will sit in May and June. Trial examinations can often provide a springboard for students as teachers spend a great deal of time marking and analysing the papers and then working with students to tackle any identified areas for improvement; essential work as your child makes the best use of their time ahead of their final examinations.

The schedule for the trial examinations has been posted around school and is also available in the letters page of our website which can be found in the links menu by clicking [here](#). You will also find a copy of the schedule attached to this letter. For the benefit of all students, examinations will be completed in exam conditions and we encourage students to view the exams as practice for the real thing. Typically, our students treat the examinations in a formal manner and this helps to set the scene for the summer exams. With this in mind, we also expect students to come prepared for all of their examinations with the correct equipment. Students will be expected to hand over mobile devices and smart watches before exams as part of the standard procedure for all school examinations.

The trial exam period runs from Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2017 to Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2017. We know that this can prove to be quite a stressful time for some students so do please encourage your child to talk to a member of staff if they require support. We also know that this is a busy time for teaching staff who will be working hard to mark your child's paper as quickly as possible so that they can start work on tackling any areas they found difficult.

Thank you for supporting your child during their trial examinations and do please get in touch if you have any questions. Mr Jeremy, Assistant Headteacher, leads on a number of areas relating to examinations, achievement, curriculum and whole school data and will be only too pleased to answer any questions you may have. Mrs Mills, Examinations Officer, works closely with Mr Jeremy and will also be happy to respond to any questions.

Yours sincerely



Andy Cunningham  
Headteacher

Year 10 Trial Exams Autumn 2017						
Date	Start Time	Length	Component Title	Level	Room	Year
Mon 27th Nov	13:00	1h 45m	Geography	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 10
Weds 29th Nov	13:00	1h	Biology (10sc1 only)	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 10
Fri 1st Dec	09:00	1h 45m	Spanish (Reading & writing)	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 10
Fri 1st Dec	09:00	1h 45m	French (Reading & Writing)	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 10
Fri 1st Dec	13:00	1h 45m	English paper 1	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 10
Mon 4th Dec	09:00	1h	English Paper 2	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 10

Year 11 Trial Exams Autumn 2017						
Date	Start Time	Length	Component Title	Level	Room	Year
Fri 24th Nov	09:00	5 h	Art	GCSE	Art Room	Yr 11
Mon 27th Nov	09:00	1h 30m	Maths paper 1	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Mon 27th Nov	13:00	1h 30m	Science Paper	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Tues 28th Nov	09:00	1h 45m	English Paper 1	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Tues 28th Nov	13:00	1h 30m	Dance	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Tues 28th Nov	13:00	1h 45m	History (Mr Pickering)	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Tues 28th Nov	13:00	1h 15m	PE paper 1	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Weds 29th Nov	09:00	2h 15m	French (reading & writing)	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Weds 29th Nov	09:00	2h 15m	Spanish (reading & Writing)	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Weds 29th Nov	09:00	1h 30m	Catering	GCSE	Room 18	Yr 11
Weds 29th Nov	09:00	1h 45m	History (Mrs Oram)	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Weds 29th Nov	13:00	1h 30m	Maths Paper 2	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Thurs 30th Nov	09:00	1h 15m	Geography (Block B)	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Thurs 30th Nov	09:00	1h 30m	Music	GCSE	Music Room	Yr 11
Thurs 30th Nov	09:00	2h	Product Design	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Thurs 30th Nov	09:00	2h	Textile	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Thurs 30th Nov	13:00	1h	English Paper 2	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Fri 1st Dec	09:00	1h 30m	Maths Paper 3	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Fri 1st Dec	13:00	1h 15m	Computing	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Fri 1st Dec	13:00	1h 30m	Geography (block D)	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Fri 1st Dec	13:00	1h 45	Drama	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Mon 4th Dec	09:00	1h 15m	PE Paper 2	GCSE	S Hall	Yr 11
Mon 4th Dec	11:00	1h	Spanish Listening Foundation	GCSE	Room 26	Yr 11
Mon 4th Dec	11:00	1h	Spanish Listening Higher	GCSE	Room 27	Yr 11
Mon 4th Dec	12:00	1h	French Listening foundation	GCSE	Room 26	Yr 11
Mon 4th Dec	12:00	1h	French Listening Higher	GCSE	Room 27	Yr 11

Year 13 Trial Exams Autumn 2017						
Date	Start Time	Length	Component Title	Level	Room	Year
Mon 27th Nov	09:00	1h 30m	Biology A level paper 1	GCE	S Hall	Yr 13
Mon 27th Nov	09:00	2h 30m	Prod Design	GCE	S Hall	Yr 13
Mon 27th Nov	13:00	1h 30m	Drama	GCE	S Hall	Yr 13
Mon 27th Nov	13:00	1h 30m	Maths A level paper 1	GCE	S Hall	Yr 13
Tues 28th Nov	09:00	2h	Computing A level	GCE	S Hall	Yr 13
Tues 28th Nov	09:00	2h	Music A level	GCE	Meeting room	Yr 13
Tues 28th Nov	09:00	1h 30m	English Lang A level Paper 1	GCE	S Hall	Yr 13
Tues 28th Nov	09:00	1h 30m	Chemistry A level	GCE	S Hall	Yr 13
Tues 28th Nov	13:00	2h 15m	Geography A level	GCE	S Hall	Yr 13
Tues 28th Nov	13:00	2h	Media Studies	GCE	Room 14	Yr 13
Tues 28th Nov	13:00	2h	History	GCE	S Hall	Yr 13
Tues 28th Nov	13:00	1h 30m	Further Maths	GCE	S Hall	Yr 13
Weds 29th Nov	13:00	1h 30m	Chemistry A level Paper 2	GCE	S Hall	Yr 13
Weds 29th Nov	13:00	1h 30m	English Lang Paper 2	GCE	S Hall	Yr 13
Thurs 30th Nov	13:00	1h 30m	Biology A level paper 2	GCE	S Hall	Yr 13
Fri 1st Dec	09:00	1h 30m	Maths paper 2	GCE	S Hall	Yr 13



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