



# Wadham School

A Church of England Community School

*"Life in all its fullness" John 10:10*



Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

## **Re: Year 11 Exam Preparation – Update**

I am writing to give an update as to how we are gathering information about students' performance and how we are using this to inform our intervention and revision calendar from January. The table below sets out the assessment and reporting that is taking place over the next few weeks:

Date	Action / Event
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> to Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Mock Exams Week
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Mock Exams Extra Day (To resolve any absences)
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Mock Results Published
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> January	GCSE Information Evening 6.00-7.30pm
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> January	Full Report Published
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	Parents' Evening 4.00-7.00pm

Mock exams are being set under 'normal' GCSE exam conditions, to give students an authentic experience in preparation for the summer. Assemblies and briefings have been given, along with copies of the mock exam timetable. I am confident that students will rise to this challenge and hopeful that this process will alleviate a lot of nerves regarding how exams have to be conducted. A copy of the mock exam timetable can be found at the end of this letter. Mock results will be published on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December. Staff will be giving feedback in lessons and adapting learning so that misconceptions can be addressed and support identified.

I know that many parents are also keen to support in this regard and we have added a new evening to our calendar – the 'GCSE Information Evening' on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January. This is our launch event for the revision programme that is in place every year. The evening will include presentations on key skills and revision tips for core subjects, with staff on hand to answer questions you may have. We hope that as many students and parents as possible are able to attend.

A full report will be published later that week, with information relating to current progress towards target grades, as well as an overall predicted grade for each subject and judgements regarding attitude and engagement towards learning.

All this information leads nicely to the Year 11 Parents' Evening on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January, where again we hope that as many parents as possible will attend. From this point on students and parents can decide how fully they wish to engage with the revision programme. A booklet detailing the range and scope of support on offer will be published at the 'GCSE Information Evening' on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January.

I hope this clarifies the steps we are taking to help students prepare for their summer exams. Do not hesitate in contacting me should you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

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# Year 11 Mock Exam Timetable



21st – 28<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Lesson	Monday (21 <sup>st</sup> )	Tuesday (22 <sup>nd</sup> )	Wednesday (23 <sup>rd</sup> )	Thursday (24 <sup>th</sup> )	Friday (25 <sup>th</sup> )								
1	<b>World Beliefs &amp; Values</b> (90 mins)	<b>English Language</b> (90 mins)	<b>Chemistry</b> (90 mins)	<b>English Literature</b> (90 mins)	<b>Option Subjects</b> (90 mins)								
2						3	<b>Maths (Non-Calculator)</b> (Paper 1) (90 mins)	<b>Biology</b> (90 mins)	<b>Maths (Calculator)</b> (Paper 2) (90 mins)	<b>Physics</b> (90 mins)	<b>Option Subjects</b> (90 mins)	4	5
3	<b>Maths (Non-Calculator)</b> (Paper 1) (90 mins)	<b>Biology</b> (90 mins)	<b>Maths (Calculator)</b> (Paper 2) (90 mins)	<b>Physics</b> (90 mins)	<b>Option Subjects</b> (90 mins)								
4						5	<b>Geography</b> (Paper 1) (45 mins)	<b>Geography</b> (Paper 2) (45 mins)	<b>History</b> (Paper 1) (45 mins)	<b>History</b> (Paper 2) (45 mins)	<b>Normal Lessons or Exam Catch Up</b>		
5	<b>Geography</b> (Paper 1) (45 mins)	<b>Geography</b> (Paper 2) (45 mins)	<b>History</b> (Paper 1) (45 mins)	<b>History</b> (Paper 2) (45 mins)	<b>Normal Lessons or Exam Catch Up</b>								

## Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November

- Set aside for exams where students were absent or had clashes.