

Year 11 Examination Fortnight Tuesday 7th February-Friday 17th February 2023

Dear Parents/ Carers,

I am writing to confirm that the GCSE Mock Examinations will take place between Tuesday 7th and Thursday 9th February 2023 and the Practical Food Examinations will take place between Monday 13th and Friday 17th February 2023.

The mock examinations will enable us to support your child further in the areas they need to develop and, also, to allow us to celebrate their achievements.

Mock Exam Timetable

	Period 1 9.30am – 10.20am	Period 2 10.20am – 11.10am	Break 11.10am – 11.30am	Period 3 11.30am – 12.20pm	Period 4 12.20pm – 1.10pm	1.10pm – 1.40pm
Tuesday 7th Feb 2023	AQA GCSE Mathematics Paper 3 (calculator) 33% of final GCSE grade 1 hour 30 minutes		Break	AQA GCSE English Language Paper 2 50% of final GCSE grade 1 hour 45 minutes		Lunch/ Home
Wednesday 8th Feb 2023	AQA GCSE Science: Biology Paper 2 33% of final GCSE grade 1 hour 45 minutes		Break	AQA GCSE English Literature Paper 2: Poetry 20% of final GCSE grade 50 minutes		Lunch/ Home
Thursday 9th Feb 2023	AQA Food Preparation and Nutrition Paper 1 50% of final GCSE grade 1 hour 30 minutes		Break	AQA GCSE Media Studies Non-Exam Assessment 30% of final GCSE grade 1 hour 40 minutes OCR GCSE Art portfolio 60% of final GCSE grade 1 hour 40 minutes		Lunch/ Home
Friday 10th Feb 2023	Lessons as normal		Brunch	Revising from home.		N/A

The practical Food Preparation and Nutrition examination, and investigation, is worth 50% of the final GCSE grade. Therefore, we are working with small groups of students throughout the week - commencing Monday 13th February - to ensure they can achieve their highest possible practical GCSE grade.

Students have already planned their three-course meal and will be supported by their classroom teacher in creating it. All students will be given an individual date to come into school where they will be working from 9.30am until 1.30pm in creating their dishes. These need to be of the highest quality and students need to show the following skills, knowledge and understanding:



- Planning of the three dishes
- Preparation
- Cooking
- Presentation of food
- Application of nutrition

Once students have completed their dish, they may need to evaluate what they have cooked, the techniques they have used and how they have presented their meal.

Students will be told in the next week which session they must attend.

In response to student voice and in recognition of the intense workload for students in the coming fortnight, school will finish at 12pm for Year 11 students only on Friday 3rd February so that students can revise from home rather than attending afternoon enrichment sessions.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me:

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Kind regards,

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