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27th May 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

Year 10 End of Year Exams, June 2022

Students in Year 10 are now over halfway through their GCSE courses. Year 10 mock examinations are a key indicator of each student's progress. Students will complete three mock exam series before taking their GCSE exams in summer 2023. Mocks will take place in June and December of this year and in March of 2023. The Year 10 mock exams will start on **Monday 27th June 2022 and finish on Monday 11th July 2022**, as publicised on the school website. Please find a copy of the exam timetable attached with this letter.

Examinations will usually take place in the hall and students will follow the exact pre-examination procedures, as they will during their GCSEs. For morning exams, students will go to registration at 8.30am, then meet in the canteen at 8.40am. In the afternoon, students take an early lunch at 12.45pm and then go to the gym for 1.15pm. If students do not have an exam, they are to go to their normal lessons. Students will be allowed to go straight home after they have finished exams in the afternoon. Alternatively, students can go back to their timetabled lessons where they will be supervised by staff until the end of the day.

Please ensure that your son/daughter is prepared and fully equipped for the examinations. Water is allowed in the examination hall, but must be in a clear plastic bottle.

Students are currently exploring revision methods in form time to enable them to carry out effective revision over half term. Most students are approaching the exams with a positive attitude and it is important that they continue to revise leading up to and during the exam period.

In most cases, students who perform well in Year 10 mock exams go on to perform well in their final GCSE exams and vice versa. Therefore, it is really important that students recognise the value of preparing carefully for these exams to help them achieve well in their GCSEs. If your daughter or son require any further support in preparing for the exams, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

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