



FEARNHILL SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 11 Timeline

As promised in my recent correspondence, I am writing to share the timeline of events for our year 11 students. Last week, students had an assembly where key dates and information was shared with them, the details of which are in the table below:

15.11.23 <i>Period 1&2</i>	Study Skills morning. Students will start the morning with an assembly with Mrs Martin and Mrs Nunneley on keeping healthy during the revision period and what not to do when revising. They will then join 4 short study skills sessions with the senior leadership team on revision strategies that are scientifically proven to work.
4.12.23 - 8.12.23	Mock exams week. Mocks will take place in the main hall for core subjects only at this point in the year (English, maths and science). The French and Spanish listening mock will also take place in the hall during this week.
10.1.24	Year 11 reports are sent to parents and carers.
11.1.24 4.30-5.30 6.00-7.00	Exam Preparation Evening for all year 11 students and parents/carers. These sessions will offer all parents and carers the opportunity to understand how they can support their child with revision and through the exam period. Information on core subjects will be shared and how period 6 revision sessions will work.
15.1.24 3.05-3.50	Period 6 revision sessions begin and will run every week until the exams start. They will run on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. Period 6 will be a combination of silent, independent study time and subject teachers' revision lessons. A timetable will be shared nearer the time.
11.3.24 - 22.3.24	Mock exams in all subjects.
24.4.24	Year 11 reports are sent to parents and carers.
9.5.24	GCSE exams start!

Why are we running mock exams in the hall for core subjects only in December?

At a crucial point in the year for the year 11 curriculum, a disruption of 2 weeks for the mocks is not welcomed. Core subjects have the most papers and therefore need the extra time in the hall. All other subjects will be running assessments in lesson time instead, reducing the disruption to learning that a mock timetable causes.

You can see the planned assessments between now and the mocks in March in the table below:

Subject	Autumn assessment task	Week commencing	Spring 1 MOCK EXAMS 11.3.24-22.3.24
Art	5 hr mock	19.12.23	
3D design	5 hr mock	15.12.23	
Business studies	Mock paper	11.12.23	Paper 1 & 2
Catering	Full controlled assessment	31.10.23 - 23.11.23	
Computer science	Mock Paper	20.11.23	Paper 1 and 2
Drama	Devised Performance	13.11.23	Mock Paper 'AIC'
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Geography	Mock Paper	11.12.23	Papers 2 & 3
English language	MOCK paper 1- hall	4.12.23	Full Paper 2
English literature	MOCK paper 2- hall		Full Paper 1
History	Mock paper	11.12.23	Full paper 1 & 2
Maths	MOCK - hall	4.12.23	Papers 1 2 and 3
	MOCK - hall		
Media studies	Mock paper	27.11.23	Paper 1 and 2
MFL	Listening MOCK - hall	4.12.23	All papers
	Mock writing & reading papers	(W) 01.12..23 (R) 15.12.23	
Music	Listening Mock exam	4.12.23	Full Paper
PE	Coursework	20.11.23	Paper 1&2
PRE	Mock Paper 1 & 2	11.12.23	Paper 1&2
Science	MOCK Bio1 - hall	4.12.23	Bio2
	MOCK Chem2 - hall		Chem1
	MOCK Phys1 - hall		Phys2

Copies of this assessment timeline and other useful resources will be shared with year 11s during the study skills morning. They will also have the opportunity in form time to put together a revision timetable with their tutor.

Letters inviting parents and carers to the Exam Preparation evening will be sent out before the end of term.

I hope that this information is useful, please ask if you have any further questions.

Yours faithfully

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