

9th October 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Year 13 Mocks and Study Leave

At Ashmole, we take the success of our students at their forthcoming examinations very seriously. The new reformed A Levels are much more challenging and place considerably more emphasis on the importance of those final examinations.

Revision and examination preparation therefore becomes so vital. This year, we have noted the earlier start to the summer examinations and a later Easter, both of which might increase pressure on Year 13.

To assist our students in balancing that pressure more effectively, as well as ensuring a more thorough examination preparation, we have decided to bring the Year 13 mock examinations forward a few weeks earlier to before Christmas, commencing on **Monday 10th December 2018**.

This change will enable our students and their teachers to more effectively complete the Year 13 programme as well as develop a comprehensive revision and examination programme. The Year 13 Parents' Evening will also benefit, knowing the performance in the mocks and the predicted success that is likely.

During the build up to the mock examinations, all subjects will commence a robust series of revision lessons, week beginning 26th November 2018. To further support Year 13 in preparing for their mock examinations, we will be providing them with study leave from **Monday 10th December - Thursday 20th December 2018**. During study leave, students will:

- Be provided with two drop-in revision lessons (per subject) with a subject teacher.
- Have full access to the Sixth Form Study Centre.
- Have an additional classroom assigned to them for silent study.
- Be provided with a subject revision guide to help structure their revision.

I am confident that the steps taken to help prepare Year 13 for both their mock examinations and the summer schedule will have a significant impact on their successes at the end of the year.

If you have any questions or queries regarding mock examinations or study leave, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Ocloo, Sixth Form Manager or me.

Yours faithfully



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Head of Sixth Form