

11<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Dear Parent/Carer(s)

### **Re: Year 11 GCSE Mock Examinations**

I would first like to congratulate Year 11 on the outstanding attitude they have demonstrated towards their GCSE studies and on their Post 16 Options this academic year. I have been inundated with positive comments from mentors regarding their professionalism and endeavour and so would like to take this opportunity to pass on my gratitude to you as parents as well.

As you are aware, Year 11 GCSE Mock Assessments begin on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2025 and to help students prepare, we have put a range of resources and programmes in place. Via ashmole.online students will find: a copy of their Mock Assessment Timetable; a timetable of when revision sessions for each subject are running; tips on how best to revise, both generally and for specific subjects; Public Examination Information for Students; and a section on how to support and maintain their personal well-being. Students have a link to the website through their Google Classroom. Each subject has also put together their own page, which can be accessed through the links in the Year 11 section. To access the website, students must be logged into their ashmole.online account.

On the website there is a section entitled Subject Revision Guidance, which includes a full topic list for each subject, accompanied with a 'traffic light' self-audit to help students identify which topics they need to focus their revision on.

In addition, Student Leadership sessions in Personal Development time will be tailored to support students' revision skills and subject knowledge. In these sessions, members of the tutor group will deliver resources provided by the English, Maths and Science departments. Those presenting will be supported by the Pastoral team in advance of their presentation.

Each subject is running revision sessions either at lunchtimes or before or after school to further support students in their preparation, as can be seen online. All students are welcome to attend these and we would encourage them to do so to help them further their understanding and revision skills.

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At present, we would expect students to revise for 45-minutes a day in addition to the homework set, but as students enter the two weeks prior to assessments, our expectation is that any homework set will be revision based.

Should you have any further questions with regards to the Year 11 Mock Assessments, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Year 11 pastoral team.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'L Clark', written in a cursive style.

Mr L Clark

**Head of Year 11**