



March 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Year 10 Mock Assessments - 13<sup>th</sup> April – 17<sup>th</sup> April 2026

As we approach the second half of Year 10, we will be conducting a series of mock assessments (exams) to help us understand how well our Year 10 pupils have learnt the curriculum up to this point. These will take place in the week after Easter between **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2026**.

We do these mock exams periodically throughout Key Stage 4 to help our students to develop their revision techniques and to ensure that they are familiarised with the systems we will use when they sit their final GCSE exams in the summer of 2027.

Our pupils will, in most subjects, sit their exams at individual desks under exam conditions in our Main Hall, with invigilation of the exams conducted by our team of invigilators. Where a student is eligible for additional time, a scribe, a reader, or access to a computer, this will be provided, and pupils will be supported by our Individual Learning Department.

We expect that our pupils will take these exams seriously and give their best effort to revision and preparation but without becoming anxious. We ask for your support in guiding them to revise for these assessments, using the wide range of resources that their teachers will provide for them over the coming weeks. Your child's teacher has been asked to indicate broad areas that will be assessed, to provide learning checklists, and to set revision tasks for homework in the preceding weeks.

When pupils are not sitting exams, they will be in lessons as per their usual timetable, where they will continue to study the curriculum. Normal lessons will not be used for revision, as this should be completed at home or in 'Study' after school.

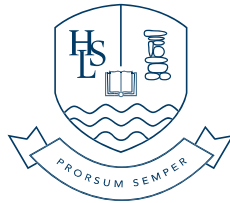
Please can we ask that you check your son/daughter is well-prepared with the necessary equipment for the exams. Specifically, we request that you purchase a clear pencil case which they will be able to use for any exams up to Summer 2027. Pupils will need to have the following items for exams:



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Scientific calculator,  
Protractor & Compass  
30cm clear plastic ruler  
Pencils  
Rubber  
A highlighter  
Black pens (minimum 2)

Please note that pupils will be forbidden from wearing any watches during exams and mobile phones should remain switched off in bags, as normal. Any breach of the rules will be treated seriously and sanctions will be issued.

Please read the exam timetable carefully:

	13/4	14/4	15/4	16/4	17/4
9:00	<b>English Literature</b>	<b>Biology</b>	<b>English Language</b>	<b>Chemistry</b>	<b>Maths Calculator</b>
11.30	<b>Option D</b> Geography RS French Spanish Business				<b>All Options:</b> Art Textiles
2.00	<b>Maths Non-Calculator</b>	<b>Option A</b> Geography Product Design H&SC RS History Business	<b>Option B</b> Drama PE Geography Spanish CS	<b>Option C</b> Music Food Product Design Spanish PE Business	<b>Physics</b>

All of the information contained within this letter will have been discussed with students by their tutors. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

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