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Dear Parent / Carer

Examinations Update – Year 11

Since returning to the Academy, students in Year 11 have been working hard to address any knowledge or skills gaps identified in their mock examinations completed in November 2021. Students are now rigorously preparing in lessons for their final collection of Year 11 mock examinations before they sit their final examinations this summer.

With just under 14 weeks until the summer GCSE examinations begin, it is important that we share with you an update on the assessment programme and upcoming events for Year 11 to enable you to plan and prepare for the weeks and months ahead.

Mock Examinations – February 2022

The next window of mock examinations will start on **Friday 11 February 2022** and will end on **Friday 04 March 2022**. It is **critical** that your child prepares for their mock examinations seriously, recognising the impact that their effort and attainment could have on their future. To ensure your child can access all their learning and have the best chance of success in their mock examinations it is **essential** they attend school every day, on time, and we ask that any appointments, as far as possible, are arranged to take place outside of the school day.

Please find enclosed with this letter a copy of the upcoming mock examination timetable. The government are committed to ensuring summer examinations take place this year. It is therefore important to remember that, in the very unlikely event that summer examinations are cancelled and the government enacts the previously announced contingency plans, these mock examinations would be used to inform a 'Teacher Assessed Grade' as part of a wider body of evidence.

Implementing Mock Examinations

Please remember that all examinations are completed in the Sports Hall under exam conditions – these are the same conditions students will experience in their final GCSE examinations this summer. Students will again receive guidance around expectations, routines and conduct during exams in an assembly in advance of the mock examinations.

Students who qualify for Access Arrangements have already been screened by our relevant team of staff and will complete their examinations in an alternative venue (as appropriate) to accommodate their needs. If this applies to your child, they will already be aware. This is another excellent opportunity for our students to familiarise themselves with the examination process in readiness for their final GCSE examinations in summer 2022. Please discuss your child's examinations with them and encourage them to revise.

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Parents' Consultation Evening – March 2022

Following the mock examinations, we will be holding an important Year 11 Parents' Evening on **Thursday 31 March 2021**. Your child's mock examination results will be available for collection on arrival to our Year 11 Parents' Evening and so it is **essential** that you save this date. Further details and arrangements for this event will be shared when students return to school from the February half term break.

Please remember that you do not need to wait until Parents' Evening to talk with your child's teacher; at Oasis Academy Mayfield we pride ourselves on the determination of our staff to support our students. If you have any queries about your child's learning in a subject and you wish to discuss these with your child's class teacher then we actively encourage you to contact staff by email.

Summer GCSE Examinations – May 2022

We have received confirmation of the final summer 2022 GCSE examination timetable from the exam boards. The common examination timetable will start on **Monday 16 May 2022** and is due to end on **Wednesday 29 June 2022**. We will share further detail of the summer examination timetable with you, together with final curriculum plans, following the February 2022 mock examination window.

Year 11 Results Day – August 2022

A reminder that the government has confirmed that Year 11 Results Day will take place this summer on **Thursday 25 August 2021**. We are hopeful that we can use this day to celebrate our students' successes as they transition to their post-16 destination.

If you or your child wish to discuss the upcoming examinations for Year 11, please contact your child's tutor in the first instance who will be able to offer advice and support. We look forward to another successful Year 11 mock examination series in February and thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours faithfully

Mr S Knight
Assistant Principal

YEAR 11 MOCK EXAMINATION TIMETABLE



DATE	SESSION	EXAM PAPER	NOTES
Friday 11 February	AM	Mathematics – Paper 1 (Non-calculator)	
	PM	History – Paper 3	
Monday 14 February	AM	English Literature – Paper 2	
	PM	Science: Chemistry – Paper 2	
Tuesday 15 February	AM	Mathematics – Paper 2 (Calculator)	
	PM	Geography – Paper 2	
Wednesday 16 February	AM	Science: Physics – Paper 2	
	PM	French (Listening and Reading) German (Listening and Reading)	
Thursday 17 February	AM	English Language – Paper 1	
	PM	Spanish (Listening and Reading) Film Studies – Paper 1	
Friday 18 February	AM	Religious Studies – Paper 1 Food Preparation and Nutrition	
	PM	Art (11ArX4 only)	11.00am to 4.00pm
Monday 28 February	INSET DAY		
Tuesday 01 March	AM	Mathematics – Paper 3 (Calculator)	
	PM	GCSE PE – Paper 1 Religious Studies – Paper 2	
Wednesday 02 March	AM	English Language – Paper 2	
	PM	Spanish (Writing) Film Studies – Paper 2	
Thursday 03 March	AM	Science: Biology – Paper 2	
	PM	German (Writing) GCSE PE – Paper 2	
Friday 04 March	AM	Geography – Paper 3	Section 2 only
	PM	French (Writing) Art (11ArX2 only)	11.00am to 4.00pm