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19th December 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

**Year 11 Common Trust Assessments**

The Year 11 Common Trust Assessments begin when we return in January for all subject areas. **The exams will run from Tuesday 6th January to Friday 23rd January.**

Please find below the finalised exam timetable for all subjects.

**As normal, for every morning exam, there will be a morning briefing at 8:20am in the exam hall which all children are expected to attend.**

Children must ensure they arrive before this time, so that exam briefings are calm, focused, and free from disruption. For the morning Core (English, Maths, and Science) exams, breakfast cobs will be served from 8am in the canteen.

It is crucial that your child attends school every day during the assessment weeks. These weeks are essential for final revision, targeted support, and ensuring your child is fully prepared.

**Please note:** If your child misses an exam, they will automatically be awarded a U grade for that paper. This reflects the approach taken during the actual exam period and ensures that the results they receive from these mocks provide an accurate picture of their current progress and any required support before their examinations in the summer.

We know how important your support is in helping your child succeed. All children have been given a revision booklet with tasks to complete over the next couple of weeks. Here are a few ways you can help them revise effectively:

- **Create a quiet, distraction-free space** at home for study.
- **Help them build a revision timetable** that balances subjects and includes regular breaks.
- **Encourage active revision techniques** such as flashcards, mind maps, and practice papers.
- **Talk to them about what they've revised** – explaining topics out loud helps reinforce learning.
- **Support their wellbeing** – make sure they get enough sleep, eat well, and take time to relax.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Thank you for your continued support in helping your child succeed.

Yours sincerely,

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**Important timetable information below**

# Year 11 Common Trust Assessments

| Date | Period 1 & 2 | Period 4 & 5 |
|---|---|---|
| **Tuesday 6th January 2026** | | **History Paper 1**<br>1 hour 20 minutes |
| **Wednesday 7th January 2026** | **English Literature Paper 1**<br>1 hour 45 minutes | **Computer Science Paper 1**<br>1 hour 30 minutes |
| **Thursday 8th January 2026** | **Maths Paper 1**<br>1 hour 30 minutes | **French & Spanish Writing**<br>Foundation: 1 hour<br>Higher: 1 hour 15 minutes |
| **Friday 9th January 2026** | **Combined Science Biology**<br>1 hour 15 minutes<br>**Triple Biology**<br>1 hour 45 minutes | **History Paper 2**<br>55 minutes |
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| **Monday 12th January 2026** | **English Language Paper 1**<br>1 hour 45 minutes | **Clash exams (French and Spanish)** |
| **Tuesday 13th January 2026** | **Combined Science Chemistry**<br>1 hour 15 minutes<br>**Triple Chemistry**<br>1 hour 45 minutes | **Business Paper 1**<br>1 hour 30 minutes |
| **Wednesday 14th January 2026** | **Geography Paper 1**<br>1 hour 30 minutes | **French Listening**<br>Foundation: 35 minutes<br>Higher: 45 minutes<br>**French Reading**<br>Foundation: 45 minutes<br>Higher: 1 hour |
| **Thursday 15th January 2026** | **Maths Paper 2**<br>1 hour 30 minutes | **Spanish Listening**<br>Foundation: 35 minutes<br>Higher: 45 minutes<br>**Spanish Reading**<br>Foundation: 45 minutes<br>Higher: 1 hour |
| **Friday 16th January 2026** | **English Literature Paper 2**<br>2 hours 15 minutes | **RE Paper 1**<br>1 hour 15 minutes |
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| **Monday 19th January 2026** | **Combined Science Physics**<br>1 hour 15 minutes<br>**Triple Physics**<br>1 hour 45 minutes | **Creative Imedia**<br>1 hour 30 minutes<br>**Sports Science**<br>45 minutes |
| **Tuesday 20th January 2026** | **English Language Paper 2**<br>1 hour 45 minutes | **Computer Science Paper 2**<br>1 hour 30 minutes |
| **Wednesday 21st January 2026** | **Business Studies Paper 2**<br>1 hour 30 minutes | **Geography Paper 2**<br>1 hour |
| **Thursday 22nd January 2026** | **History Paper 3**<br>1 hour 30 minutes | |
| **Friday 23rd January 2026** | **RE Paper 2**<br>1 hour 15 minutes | |

**Thursday 29th and Friday 30th January Art Exam**
**Week commencing Monday 26th January: Spanish and French Speaking Exams**