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Dear Parent/Carer,

I write to inform you of arrangements for the Year 11 pre-public examinations that are taking place week commencing Monday, 20th November for two weeks.

All Year 11 pupils will be involved in the PPE's, which will provide the school with important information about the progress pupils are making and any gaps in learning pupils still have. It is important pupil's take these examinations as seriously as they would do the actual GCSE exams in the summer, so the results are an accurate representation of what pupils know and can do.

We are now reaching an important stage of the year for our Year 11 pupils. This is a vital opportunity for pupils to practice their approach to exams before the summer exams. Good attendance to these pre-public examinations is critical so we can give individual guidance to each pupil for their final preparations in January.

Pupils must remember to bring a full set of equipment in a clear pencil case to each exam. This must include but is not limited to:

- At least 2 black pens
- A pencil
- A rubber
- A ruler
- A protractor
- A calculator

I also want to take this opportunity to remind you about the zero-tolerance policy on mobile phones in exams. Under no circumstances should pupils have any electronic device on their person when in an exam, and the exam regulator have recently updated their guidance to ban **all watches**. If pupils are worried about leaving electronic equipment in their bags during their exam, we suggest they simply leave them at home.

The school day will change slightly for year 11 during the PPE period. Morning exam briefings will start at 8.40am, followed by the examination. Pupils will then have break at the normal time followed by period 3. If pupils have an exam in the afternoon, they will go to an exam briefing half-way through period 3 and then go straight to lunch. Afternoon exams will then start at approximately 1.10pm. If pupils are not in an exam, they are expected to attend lessons as normal.

If a pupil has an exam in the afternoon which lasts for 1 hour or more, we will allow pupils to leave early. If you would prefer that your child stays in school until the end of the normal school day, we will make provision for this to happen. Please contact the school admin team in this instance.

I have attached a copy of the exam timetable to this letter so you can work with your child to help them plan their revision accordingly.

Results from the PPEs will be given to pupils the first week back after Christmas followed by a parents evening on Wednesday 17th January.

Yours sincerely,

Mr D Fugill
Vice Principal

Year 11 Pre-public Examinations – November 2023

Date	Period 1 & 2	Period 4 & 5
Monday 20th November	<u>English Language P1</u> 1 hour 45 minutes	<u>Computer Science P1</u> 1 hour 30 minutes <u>Religious Studies P1</u> 1 hour 15 minutes
Tuesday 21st November	<u>Biology</u> <u>Combined science</u> 1 hour 15 minutes <u>Triple Science</u> 1 hour 45 minutes	<u>Spanish Writing</u> 1 hour/1 hour 15 minutes <u>Music (GCSE)</u> 1 hour 30 minutes
Wednesday 22nd November	<u>Maths Paper P1</u> 1 hour 30 minutes	<u>French Listening & Reading</u> 1 hour 20 minutes /1 hour 45 minutes <u>Film Studies P1</u> 1 hour
Thursday 23rd November	<u>Geography P1</u> 1 hour 30 minutes	<u>Business Studies</u> 1 hour 30 minutes <u>Further Maths (5 students)</u> 1 hour 45 minutes
Friday 24th November	<u>Chemistry</u> <u>Combined science</u> 1 hour 15 minutes <u>Triple Science</u> 1 hour 45 minutes	<u>History P1</u> 1 hour 15 minutes <u>Further Maths (6 students)</u> 1 hour 45 minutes
Date	Period 1 & 2	Period 4 & 5
Monday 27th November	<u>English Literature P2</u> 2 hours 15 minutes	<u>History P2</u> 50 minutes <u>Geography P2</u> 35 minutes (Students who study both History & Geography will do both exams in this session)
Tuesday 28th November	<u>Physics</u> <u>Combined science</u> 1 hour 15 minutes <u>Triple Science</u> 1 hour 45 minutes	<u>Computer Science P2</u> 1 hour <u>Drama</u> 1 hour 45 minutes
Wednesday 29th November	<u>Maths P2</u> 1 hour 30 minutes	<u>Spanish Listening & Reading</u> 1 hour 20 minutes /1 hour 45 minutes
Thursday 30th November	<u>History P2</u> 1 hour 20 minutes	<u>Religious Studies P2</u> 50 minutes <u>Film Studies P2</u> 1 hour

Friday 1st December	<u>Music Technology</u> 1 hour 30 minutes	<u>French Writing</u> 1 hour/1 hour 15 minutes
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