Headteacher: Mrs Christina Kane, BSc (Hons), NPQH

Friday, 7 February 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

After half-term, we will be running additional practice assessments in **English**, **Maths** and **Science** as part of our exam preparation programme. These will be sat in the sports hall and gym and provide students with another opportunity to **practice** sitting assessments under timed conditions. They will also enable teachers and students to **identify gaps in knowledge**, which will in turn inform revision and future teaching.

In addition to this, students who study **GCSE German**, **French** or **Spanish** will have an additional practice speaking exam during the week beginning Monday 3 March. Your child's teacher will inform them of the date and time of this speaking exam.

The timetable for these assessments is shown below:

Year 11 – Additional Practice Assessments 2025

Week B	Mon 24.2	Tues 25.2		Wed 26.2		Thurs 27.2		Fri 28.2
1								English Literature
2								1h 45
3	Maths - Non-Calculator			English Language 1h 45		Maths – Calculator 1h 30		
4	1h 30							
5								
Week A	Mon 3.3	on 3.3 Tues 4.3		Wed 5.3		Thurs 6.3		Fri 7.3
1	French, German & Spanish Mock Speaking Exams	German Mock Speaking Exams	GCSE Food Practical	French & German Mock Speaking Exams	GCSE Food Practical	German Mock Speaking Exams	GCSE Food Practical	
2								
3								
4								
5								
Week A	Mon 10.3	Tues 11.3		Wed 12.3		Thurs 13.3		Fri 14.3
1								
2								1
3	Physics – Triples 1h 45			Biology – Triples 1h 45 Biology – Combined 1h 15 Synergy 2 - 1h 45		Chemistry – Triples 1h 45 Chemistry – Combined 1h 15		
4	Physics – Combined 1h 15 Synergy 1 - 1h 45							
5								

Class teachers will share information on what to revise and how to prepare for these assessments directly with their students.

As you can see from the timetable, we will also be running our **GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition** practical exams during the week beginning Monday 3 March. These are <u>not</u> a practice assessment and contribute to the students' final grades. This is a change to the original date of the week beginning Monday 24 February, and a letter with further information will be sent out early next week to all students who study **GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition**.

Best wishes

Ceri George