

Dear Year 11 Parent/Carer,

Year 11 Mock Examinations - Monday 7 March to Friday 18 March 2022

I am pleased to be able to share with you the final details of the mock exams that your child will complete during the March mock exam period. These mock exams are an important part of the work that your child is completing to prepare for their GCSE summer examinations which begin in two months' time. At Outwood Academy Bishopsgarth we want to ensure that your child is fully prepared for the summer examinations and we hope that you will fully support us in delivering a successful mock examination period.

These mock exams will ensure that your child fully understands the formal JCQ examination regulations, and how GCSE exams will run at Outwood Academy Bishopsgarth. They will also enable students to practise their revision techniques, and the feedback they receive from these mock exams will indicate where students need to focus their revision on. These examinations will provide your child's teachers with a clear indication of where they may need additional support to be able to achieve their full potential during the summer 2022 exam period.

You can find the mock exam timetable below which shows all written exams which will take place during the mock period.

<u>Year 11 Mock Timetable March 2022</u>				
<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Time Estimate</u>	<u>Location*</u>
Monday 7 th March 2022	AM	English Literature Papers 1 & 2	2 hr (plus 20 min break)	Sports Hall
Monday 7 th March 2022	PM	Combined Science Biology	1 hr 15 min 1 hr 45 for Triple	Sports Hall
Tuesday 8 th March 2022	AM	Maths Paper 1	1 hr 30 min	Sports Hall
Tuesday 8 th March 2022	PM			
Wednesday 9 th March 2022	AM	English Language Paper 1	1 hr 45 min	Sports Hall
Wednesday 9 th March 2022	PM	Combined Science Chemistry	1 hr 15 min 1 hr 45 for Triple	Sports Hall
Thursday 10 th March 2022	AM	Maths Paper 2	1 hr 30 min	Sports Hall

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Thursday 10 th March 2022	PM	History 1 (Paper 3 - Germany)	1 hr 20 min	Sports Hall
Friday 11 th March 2022	AM	German Listening and Reading	1 hr 30 min (Foundation) 1 hr 45 min (Higher)	
Friday 11 th March 2022	PM			

* Some students' access arrangements mean that they will complete exams in a different room.

Year 11 Mock Timetable March 2022

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Time Estimate</u>	<u>Location</u>
Monday 14 th March 2022	AM	English Literature Papers 3 & 4	2 hr (plus 20 min break)	Sports Hall
Monday 14 th March 2022	PM			
Tuesday 15 th March 2022	AM	Maths Paper 3	1 hr 30 min	Sports Hall
Tuesday 15 th March 2022	PM	Geography Paper 1 (Paper 2 Human Environment)	1 hr 15 min	Sports Hall
Wednesday 16 th March 2022	AM	English Language Paper 2	2 hrs	Sports Hall
Wednesday 16 th March 2022	PM	Combined Science Physics	1 hr 15 min 1 hr 45 for Triple	Sports Hall
Thursday 17 th March 2022	AM	History 2 (Paper 1 - Medicine)	1 hr 15 min	Sports Hall
Thursday 17 th March 2022	PM			
Friday 18 th March 2022	AM	German Writing	1 hr 5 min (Foundation) 1 hr 20 min (Higher)	
Friday 18 th March 2022	PM			

Attendance

Throughout the academic year we promote the importance of attendance to all of our students. During this mock examination period it is critical that Year 11 students attend school on time each day. Preparation and understanding of key concepts will benefit your child in succeeding in the summer examinations and will promote success in their future endeavours.

Revision Master Classes

Before every morning exam there will be a revision breakfast session starting at 8:15am. The revision breakfast is a fantastic opportunity for students to complete final preparations for each exam, including receiving a free hot bacon, sausage or egg bun. This is an important part of preparing for each exam - just as we will do in the summer GCSE exams - and we hope that every student takes up this opportunity, and benefits from the routine.

Morning exams

Students with a morning exam should arrive at school shortly before 8:15am and join their teachers in the assembly hall. After breakfast is served in the assembly hall, students will be directed to the sports hall for the examination. Examinations will commence promptly at 9:00am.

Afternoon exams

To accommodate the afternoon exams, Year 11 will have their normal lunch between 12.00pm - 12.30pm. Students who have an afternoon exam will meet in the assembly hall at 12.30pm for a 12:45pm start. Students who do not have an afternoon exam will go to normal timetabled lessons.

Expectations

Previous mock exams have followed the expectations of the academy and of the national exam regulations which you can find outlined below:

- Students must remain in silence at all times in the examination hall, and must not attempt to communicate with any other student
- Students must not carry an electronic device - this includes mobile phones, headphones, and watches
- Students must only have a transparent water bottle or pencil case (although equipment will be provided for each examination)
- Students must leave all of their belongings in the designated area.

These are the basic expectations of the JCQ (Joint Council for Qualifications). Student misconduct during actual GCSE examinations rightly has to be reported to the examination boards, to preserve the integrity of national qualifications. Misconduct can lead to being disqualified and not receiving a grade.

It is important that students experience the same conditions during mock examinations so they are familiar with them, and gain confidence and resilience tackling some relatively long papers. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me via a.maher@bishopsgarth.outwood.com if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours faithfully,



Andrew Maher
Associate Vice Principal