

6 November 2024

Dear Parents, Carer and Students,

Our first mock exam season has started this week. We are excited to see the impact of students working so hard over the last term in year 11. Students have been pro-active and ambitious since the start of year 11 and have embraced our Gain At Least A Grade strategy. Students have been made aware in their previous results report how many marks are need for them to achieve the next grade, subject teachers have also supported students by identifying specific strategies and areas for revision to enable students to meet these targets.

For students that gain 3 grades they will be invited to breakfast with staff, for students gaining 4 grades across subjects students will be invited to pizza lunch. Any students that improve by 5 grades or more across subjects will be invited to Snowstorm firebird Christmas event at the Trafford Centre in recognition of their efforts and hard work. In many cases students are less than 5 marks away from the next grade, therefore this is really achievable for all students who are revising and acting on their teachers advice.

Myself and the year 11 team; Miss Porter, Miss Appleby, Mrs Duffy, Mr Farnworth, Mr Walker in addition to subject teachers are committed to supporting our year 11 students as much as possible. We are happy to provide resources including stationery and revision guides at no cost – these can be collected from Mrs Duffy.

Exams taking place this week are as follows;

5th and 6th – Food practical

6th November – French listening and Drama

7th English literature – there are additional resources to support student revision on Arbor for students to access in addition to revision guides provided.

8th November – Biology, History (Medicine)

For all examination subjects knowledge organisers are available on our website here: [Independent Study](#)

We have spoken to students about effective revision; revising in ways which ensure that they challenge themselves, including revision of topics where they feel less confident and revision of content that they find more challenging in order to make a difference to the knowledge that is retrained.

‘Memory is the residue of thought’ we have discussed the need for students to complete work that requires them to grapple with difficult concepts to support them in remembering knowledge over time.



Thank you to all of our parents who have attended our year 11 revision support evening, we hope that those attending found this useful. We will be holding a further practical revision session for parents of year 11 later this academic year.

We look forward to celebrating your child's success following our mock results day in December. We will also be using analysis of this information to understand how to support our students further.

Thank you for your ongoing support

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mrs J McCann', written in a cursive style.

Mrs J McCann

Mocks 1 – Year 11 – November 2024

Date	Start	Len	Exam title	Start	Len	Exam title	Start	Len	Exam title
5 th Nov	08:55am	2 hrs	Food Practical Group 1	11:15am	2hrs	Food Practical Group 2	01:55pm		
6 th Nov	08:55am	2hrs 1hr 45mins / 1hr 20mins	Food Practical Group 3 French Listening / Reading	11:15am	2hrs 1hr 20mins	Food Practical Group 4 Drama	01:55pm		
7 th Nov	08:55am	2hr 15mins	English Literature	11:15am			01:55pm		
8 th Nov	08:55am	1hr 45 mins 1hr 15 mins	Triple Science Biology Combined Science Biology	11:15am	2hrs 1hr 20mins	Food Practical Group 5 History – Medicine	01:55pm		
11 th Nov	08:55am	1hr 30 min	Maths Non-Calculator	11:30am	1hr 15mins / 1hr	POPPY DROP French Writing	01:55pm	55mins	History – Cold War
12 th Nov	08:55am	2hrs 1hr 45 mins	Art Group 2 Religious Studies P1	11:15am	2hrs 1hr 30mins	Art Group 1 Business Studies	01:55pm		
13 th Nov	08:55am	1hr 45 mins	English Language P1	11:15am	1hr 30mins	Geography P1	01:55pm		
14 th Nov	08:55am	1hr 45mins 1hr 15mins	Triple Science Chemistry Combined Science Chemistry	11:15am	1hr 30mins	Maths Calculator	01:55pm		
15 th Nov	08:55am	1hr 45mins / 1hr 20 mins	Spanish Listening/Reading	11:15am	1hr 30mins	Computer Science	01:55pm	1hr	Geography P2
18 th Nov	08:55am	1hr 45mins 1hr 15mins	Triple Science Physics Combined Science Physics	11:15am	1hr 30mins	History - Weimar	01:55pm		
19 th Nov	08:55am	1hr 45mins	English Language P2	11:15am	1hr 30mins	Maths Calculator	01:55pm		
20 th Nov	08:55am	2hrs	Product Design	11:15am	1hr 15mins	Spanish Writing	01:55pm		

French and Spanish speaking mocks will take place week commencing 25th November. Students will receive confirmation of their times / dates separately.