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Dear Student and Parents/Carers

Year 10 Trial Examinations

At the bottom of this letter you will find a copy of the Year 10 trial examination timetable. This can also be viewed on the school website and is available in school on the exam noticeboard.

The trial examinations run from **Tuesday 30th April until Wednesday 8th May** and unless stated otherwise, will take place in the Sports Hall. When students do not have an examination, they will follow their normal timetable. The length of each examination and period(s) in which it will take place is clearly shown on the timetable. Students will be given further instructions outlining the procedures they must follow in an assembly before the exams begin.

At this point we always highlight how, in the event of illness in the final examinations, awarding bodies may consider the results from these internal examinations when applying any special consideration to a student's final outcomes. Understandably, this point has taken on added significance over the past few years. Consequently, students should take these examinations seriously and prepare well for them; your support with this is appreciated.

The purpose of these examinations is to allow us to analyse the progress of students, assist staff/ students to identify areas for development in Year 11 and to give them further experience of formal examinations held under the regulations of the examination boards. The school's invigilation team will oversee the exams, as they will at the end of Year 11. This should make students more familiar with what to expect when they take their final public examinations. Students must enter and leave the hall in silence and will be seated alphabetically by class group. Hopefully the experience will make them less anxious and more likely to perform to their full potential in the final examinations.

Students are expected to write in black ink and must bring all the necessary equipment for the examinations, including, but not limited to: calculator, ruler, spare pens and pencils. Students should liaise with their class teachers regarding what each exam entails and any preparation/ revision that should be completed. Short, concentrated periods of revision are best, and students are advised to prepare a revision timetable and keep to it.

If there are any questions regarding the exam timetable, students should contact the Exams Office located opposite Main Hall.

Yours faithfully

Mr M Stone Executive Officer: Exams, Assessment & Curriculum

YEAR 10 TRIAL EXAM TIMETABLE - APRIL-MAY 2024

Period	Tue 30th April	Wed 1st May	Thu 2nd May	Fri 3rd May		Tue 7th May	Wed 8th May
Line up in Netball Courts	At start of AM registration. You will be registered in the exam hall.	DURING am registration (at 8:40). Go to form room first.	DURING am registration (at 8:40). Go to form room first.	At start of AM registration. You will be registered in the exam hall.	ık Holiday	DURING am registration (at 8:40). Go to form room first.	DURING am registration (at 8:40). Go to form room first.
1/2	English Language 1 hour 45 minutes	Maths 1 1 hour	French/ Spanish 1 hour	Technology & Textiles 2 hours Food Tech - 1hr 45min Hosp & Cater - 1hr 30min		Physics 1 hour	Music* 1 hour 30 minutes
Line up in Netball Courts	Immediately after am break	Immediately after am break	Immediately after am break	Immediately after am break	May - Bank	Immediately after am break	Immediately after am break
3/4	German 1 hour	Chemistry 1 hour	Ethics and Religion 1 hour 30 minutes	Biology 1 hour	Mon 6th	PE 1 hour 30 minutes	Media Studies* 1 hour 30 minutes
Line up in Netball Courts	Immediately after lunchtime	Immediately after lunchtime	Immediately after lunchtime	Immediately after lunchtime		Immediately after lunchtime	Immediately after lunchtime
5	History 55 minutes	Business Studies 1 hour	Geography 1 hour	Computer Science 1 hour		Maths 2 1 hour	Drama* 1 hour

Art practical examinations will take place at a later date as below:

Mon 1st JulyBlock A classes - Periods 1 to 4Tue 2nd JulyBlock B and C classes - Periods 2 to 5

A small number of students will have a clash (where you should be in two exams at the same time) on the above timetable. These students should come to the Exams Office (opposite Main Hall) asap to identify how to resolve this.

* These exams will take place in Main Hall not the Sports Hall - please line up in the quad adjacent to the science corridor