

18<sup>th</sup> November 2011

Dear Parents,

As you are probably aware, your son will be sitting his mock GCSE examinations between 5<sup>th</sup> December 2011 and 16<sup>th</sup> December 2011. Please find enclosed his individual mock examination timetable showing the time, location and seat numbers of his examinations. This timetable should be kept safe as it is important that your son can refer to it to remind him of his allocated seat numbers. Boys should be assembled outside the main entrance 10 minutes before the exam starts.

From Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December, your son only needs to come to school for his specific examinations. When he is not taking examinations he is allowed to stay at home to study and revise. However, his subject teachers will be available during his normal scheduled lessons should he wish to revise in school. It has also been made clear to the whole year group that boys who are behind with coursework or who have missed any controlled assessments will be required to come into school during the exam fortnight to catch up.

The mock examinations will follow the format of the real examinations in the summer as closely as possible. As well as being a vital opportunity to practise under the same conditions as the real exams, the mocks are also important as they will give subject teachers information about particular strengths and weaknesses. In some subjects, results will help inform decisions regarding the tier your son will be entered for in the summer exams and the predicted grades needed for sixth form and college applications. The results will be available at the Year 11 parents' evening on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2012.

It is important that your son sees the relevant subject teacher or Mrs Powell, our examinations officer, if he does not understand any aspect of his mock examinations entries. Teachers will currently be spending time preparing the boys for the examinations and explaining the essential revision he now needs to be doing at home. It is vital your son is fully prepared to enable him to do his best.

Should you require any further information, please contact the school.

Yours sincerely,

**MRS L. DAVIS**  
**Assistant Headteacher**

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**Please return to Form Tutor, Hurstmere School, Hurst Road, Sidcup, Kent**

I/We confirm having received your letter dated 18<sup>th</sup> November 2011 regarding Mock Examinations.

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