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Dear parents and carers,

Year 11 have had a wonderful week to end the term and are hopefully looking forward to a deserved holiday. With Christmas fast approaching we would like to give you further information on the Year 11 mocks and parents evening.

Revision and Mocks

In these uncertain times and with the picture ever changing, students need to ensure they **prepare** for their mock exams. If students do not sit their exams, teachers may be asked to award centre assessed grades and the mock grades will play an important part in the grade given. To prepare for the mock exams, we would expect students to complete a minimum of 2 x 45-minute sessions per evening and use weekends and holidays effectively.

Students have taken part in revision skills session from **Elevate** who helped students to develop a range of strategies for revision such as reading the specifications, past paper tests, mind maps, flash cards, reduce note taking and getting someone to test their knowledge. Students had a task in form time to create their own revision timetable which can also be found on their teams tutor groups. We have also collated revision resources and past papers that can now be found on our **student portal**. Students have been shown how to access department areas in form time this week. You can access this through our school website where this is a quick link to the Queensbury Academy portal. This is for independent revision and teachers will still use TEAMS to set classwork for students needing to isolate to complete and homework tasks. The new Department for Education guidance to support the summer exams is [here](#). There is a Q and A document that can be found here: [Parent Q and A Summer Exams](#) As we get more information from the government about exactly what will be assessed, how and when we will let you know.

Mock Timetable

Mon 1st Feb	Tues 2nd Feb	Wed 3rd Feb	Thurs 4th Feb	Fri 5th Feb
Band A West	Band A West	Band A West	Band A West	Band A West
Band B East	Band B East	Band B East	Band B East	Band B East
English Lit Paper 1 1hr 40	Option B Art classroom Business 1hr Food & Nutrition 1hr 30 Geography P1 1hr 30 Media 1hr 30 PE P1 1hr 45 PE P1 & 2a 2hrs Textiles 1hr 30 RM 1hr 30	Biology 1hr 45 Triple 1hr 15 Combined	Chemistry 1hr 45 Triple 1hr 15 Combined	English Language paper 2 1hr 45
Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
Band A West	Band A West	Band A West	Band A West	Band A West
Band B East	Band B East	Band B East	Band B East	Band B East
Option D Art classroom Business 1hr Computer Science 1hr Drama 1hr 45 Food & Nutrition 1hr 30 Geography P1 1hr 30 History P1&2 2hrs Hair & Beauty lesson Textiles 1hr 30	English Language P1 1hr 45	Maths Paper 1 1hr 30	Option C Computer Science 1hr 15 French H 1hr 20 F 1hr 10 Geography P1 1hr 30 History P1&2 2hrs Hair & Beauty lesson PE P1 1hr 45 Resistant Materials 1hr Support classroom	Option A Business 1hr Computer Science 1hr 15 French H 1hr 20 F 1hr 10 Geography P1 1hr 30 Food & Nutrition 1hr 30 History P1 1hr 30 Geography P1 1hr 30 Media 1hr 30 Music 1hr 45 Resistant Materials 1hr 30

Mon 8th Feb	Tues 9th Feb	Wed 10th Feb	Thurs 11th Feb	Fri 12th Feb
Band A West	Band A West	Band A West	Band A West	Band A West
Band B East	Band B East	Band B East	Band B East	Band B East
Maths Paper 2 1hr 30	Option B Art lesson Business lesson Food & Nutrition less Geography P2 1hr 30 Media lesson PE P2 1hr 15 PE lesson Textiles lesson RM lesson	Core Lessons GCSE PE Practical	Physics 1hr 45 Triple 1hr 15 Combined	Maths Paper 3 1hr 30
Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
Band A West	Band A West	Band A West	Band A West	Band A West
Band B East	Band B East	Band B East	Band B East	Band B East
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The two-week mock exam period in exam venues, starts on 1st February. *Subject to slight changes. Students will sit their exams when they would have been having that lesson and if there is no (second) exam needed they will have the lesson that they were timetabled to have.*

Departments

You will be receiving parent mails from departments for key dates and revision tips. Please see the areas below that students need to revise for their **Science mocks**:

Biology- Cell Biology, Organisation, Infection and response, Bioenergetics

Chemistry- Atomic structure and the periodic table; Bonding, structure, and the properties of matter, Quantitative chemistry, Chemical changes, Energy changes

Physics- Energy, Electricity, Particle model of matter, Atomic structure.

Lates

Some students are arriving after 10am. Please reiterate the message to your children that students **must be on the playground by 9.55am** the latest ready to go in at 10am. Promptness is vital for students as there are often messages given before students go in and it is important, they are in good habits for their mock exams.

Data Sheets

We are pleased to report that students and parents can access a recent report on Edulink. Please discuss the report with your child in preparation for their return in January

Parents Evening

The **Year 11 parents evening is January 11th and 12th**. You will **receive an email** on how to sign up to this event in the first week back after the Christmas break. Parents will need to select a period of availability and the appointments will then be made for you. This has been trialled with Year 13 and was a very successful evening

We wish you all a wonderful break and we look forward to seeing the Year 11s in January.

Best Wishes,

Miss Bolton

