

Preparing for Exams

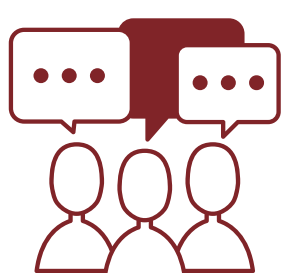


Year 11 Timeline 2023-24

First Report - 15 Nov

Your first report of the year will show you, and your parents/carers, the grades that you are currently on track to achieve as well as your behaviour for learning and homework grades.

Consultation Evening - 27 Nov



An opportunity for you, and your parents/carers, to discuss with your subject teachers your progress and behaviour for learning, focusing on how to get the most out of your remaining time in lessons, homework and revision.

English Mock Exams - 4 & 5 Dec

Your first experience of completing an exam in the exam hall. You will learn the routines and regulations of exams, including how to enter the exam hall, what you need to take in with you and the process of sitting a formal exam following JCQ regulations.

Exam Preparation Day - 7 Dec



How to Revise

You will attend two sessions:

- How to Revise, which outlines the most effective methods of revision
- How to Organise Your Revision, which covers how to create and stick to a revision timetable.



Wellbeing

Preparing for exams can be a challenging time. These two sessions are designed to equip you to manage your worries in both the short and long term. They cover:

- Reframing your Thinking
- Managing the Physical Feelings of Worry.

How to Revise Week - 11-15 Dec

Not only is the content of each subject different, so is the best way to learn that subject. On the Exam Preparation Day, you will learn the best general revision strategies. In the following week, each of your subject teachers will show you the best way to prepare in their subject. This will include sharing resources, such as websites and revision lists.

Mock Exams - 8-19 January



When you return from the Christmas break you will complete formal mock exams. This is another opportunity to practise the routines of exams and the chance to put your revision strategies into practice.

Final Report - 7 Feb



Your final school report will show you, and your parents/carers, the grades that you achieved in your mock exams, your teachers' prediction for the grades you will most likely achieve in the summer, as well as your behaviour for learning and homework grades.

SLT Interviews - 26 Feb -1 March



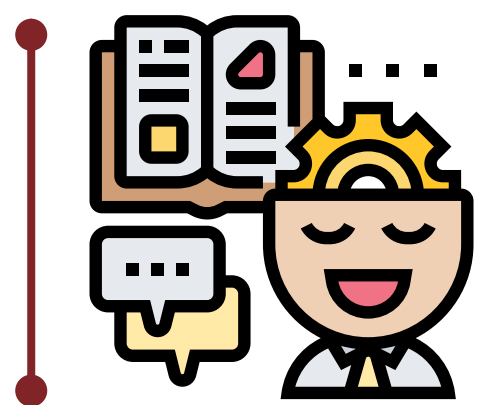
You will have an individual 15 minute meeting with a member of the Senior Leadership Team. They will guide you through reflecting on your mock exam experience, including how you prepared, your grades and your wellbeing. You will be supported to plan for the coming months, including preparing for your real exams and securing your preferred next step.

Tutor & Revision Evening - 26 March



Tutor Meetings

Following on from the mocks, reports and SLT interviews, you and your parents/carers will be invited to meet with your form tutor to discuss your preparations for your final months at school.



How to Revise Workshop

On the same evening, you and your parents/carers will be invited to take part in a workshop on how to revise. This will share with your parents/carers the strategies that you were taught on the exam preparation day, and outline some ways they can support you in your final preparations.

Exams - 9 May onwards



Your final exams start on 15th May. By this time, you will have practised the routines of exams several times, experienced completing full timed past papers and understand how best to revise for each of your subjects. This is your time to show off all that you have learned, and all that you can do!

Failing to prepare, is preparing to fail

Benjamin Franklin