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Dear Parents/Carers

Y11 Spring Pre Public Examinations

The second set of Year 11 Pre Public Examinations (PPEs) will take place from Monday 3rd February to Friday 14th February 2020. This is a key time for our students and will form an essential part of their preparation for the GCSE examinations in summer 2020.

As you will be aware, modular examinations are no longer available, with all courses now being assessed in terminal examinations. This means that for all students nationally there is no opportunity to resit any aspect of their GCSE course. Pre Public Examinations are a crucial process to help identify the strengths and areas for development for students, and to help us plan the learning and interventions your son/daughter will experience in the final months leading up to their GCSE examinations.

We would really appreciate you reinforcing the importance of the PPEs to your son/daughter, as they provide invaluable experience regarding preparation for examinations and how to sit them in formal conditions under the strict rules and regulations required by the examination boards. The PPEs also provide an opportunity for students to receive feedback on how they would perform in a GCSE examination under these circumstances.

Parental involvement and support is a fundamental element of the success our students enjoy. We very much hope that you will continue this by stressing the significance of these PPEs, encouraging and supporting independent learning, ongoing revision and examination preparation at home, over the next few weeks and beyond. The results from these PPEs will inform the levels of intervention we provide to support your son/daughter over the next term until we approach the GCSE examinations this summer.

If you have any concerns regarding the forthcoming PPEs, please do not hesitate to contact either the Progress and Pastoral Leader for Year 11, Dr Ravetz, or myself at the school.

Yours sincerely

Dr A Pritchard-Roberts
Assistant Headteacher



Y11 February Pre Public Examination Timetable 2020

Date	Session 1 (P1 & P2)	Session 2 (P3 & P4)
Monday 3 rd February	English Language 1hr 45m	Geography 1hr
Tuesday 4 th February	History 1hr 45m	Religious Studies 1hr 45m Food Studies 1hr 45m
Wednesday 5 th February	Maths Non-Calc - 1hr 30m	Business Studies 1hr 30m
Thursday 6 th February	Biology Separate – 1hr 45m Combined – 1hr 15m	French Reading Foundation – 45 mins Higher – 1hr German Reading Foundation – 45 mins Higher – 1hr
Friday 7 th February	English Literature 1hr 45m	French Writing Foundation – 1hr Higher – 1hr 15m German Writing Foundation – 1hr Higher – 1hr 15m

Date	Session 1 (P1 & P2)	Session 2 (P3 & P4)
Monday 10 th February	Maths 1hr 30m	Computer Science 1hr 30m
Tuesday 11 th February	Chemistry Separate – 1hr 45m Combined – 1hr 15m	Drama 1hr 30m
Wednesday 12 th February	Physics Separate – 1hr 45m Combined – 1hr 15m	Physical Education 1 hr 45m
Thursday 13 th February	Design Technology 2hrs	
Friday 14 th February	Music 1hr 45m Media Studies 1hr 30m	