

YEAR 11 BULLETIN

CARING - DETERMINED - REFLECTIVE

MOCK EXAMS

Students have their mock exams in the weeks of February 7th and February 21st.

To support students, we are continuing our after-school sessions for English, Maths and Science. The purpose of these sessions is to review previously taught GCSE material and complete exam questions with the support of a teacher. These sessions are 3.30-4.30 pm each week.

The sessions are as follows:

Tuesday: English in R18

Wednesday: Science in the hall

Thursday: Maths in R15 & R16

GCSE MINDSET

This week, students are going to be thinking about the type of revision they currently complete at home and whether this is actually helping them to reach their desired outcomes.

For example:

Pupil 1 completed 15 hours of revision - all of it is reading through class notes.

Pupil 2 only does 10 hours of revision - two hours mind mapping, two hours creating flashcards, three hours of timed practice, two hours working through past papers and completing the hardest questions they could find and an hour at after school revision.

Pupil 2 will not only get better outcomes than Pupil 1, but they also get more time to relax and socialise with their friends and family.

Students will be completing a questionnaire identifying which revision techniques they regularly use at home. They can then use this information to decide which ones they would like to try this week.

WHY DO WE DO THIS?

We want our students to work smarter, not harder. It is so important that students get time to enjoy themselves as well as revising for their upcoming exams. Evaluating and improving their revision strategies can certainly help with this.

Ask your son or daughter which revision techniques they are planning to try this week and help them to stick to their goals.