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FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE PERSON WITH PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY

YEAR 12 BTEC External Examinations

There are a number of BTEC external examinations running from the 8 January 2021 (Please see the attached timetable). These examinations will count towards students final grading. Due to the Covid bubbles within school, the exams will be running in designated classrooms under exam conditions rather than in the Sports Hall. All morning examinations will start promptly at 9.00 am and afternoon examinations will start promptly at 1.00 pm. Students are expected to be seated and ready to begin at the designated times. Details regarding seating, rooming and dispensation for the exams will be outlined on the notice board outside the Sixth Form Office.

YEAR 12 BTEC and AS Mock Examinations

Mock examinations for some Year 12 BTEC subjects and for AS Further Maths students are scheduled to take place from the week beginning 25 January 2021 (please see the attached schedule). All remaining A-Level mock examinations will be running in May – more details regarding these will follow closer to the time. In light of the disruption to teaching in 2020, and the ever changing picture on the examination series for summer 2021, it is imperative that students are focussed and prepared for these examinations so that they can perform at the best level possible.

The mock examinations will be running as close as possible in line with the summer examinations to help best prepare the students and give us a clear indication how the students are performing. Teachers will ensure that the papers will be adapted to ensure that all the questions are reflective of the course content covered so far and will be marked in accordance with exam board mark schemes; departments will give more specific details to students about the structure of the papers to be sat. Due to the Covid bubbles within school, the exams will be running in designated classrooms under exam conditions rather than in the Sports Hall. All morning examinations will start promptly at 9.00 am and afternoon examinations will start promptly at 1.00 pm. Students are expected to be seated and ready to begin at the designated times. Details regarding seating, rooming and dispensation for the exams will be outlined on the notice board outside the Sixth Form Office.

For any students who miss mock examinations due to illness or isolation, these will be arranged for completion immediately upon their return; Miss Taylor (BH6 Admin) will organise the completion of these with students. Please ensure that students are equipped for all examinations. This should include as a minimum requirement two black pens, HB pencil, ruler, calculator - all these should be in a clear pencil case.

We very much hope that following the Christmas break that students will continue their preparation for the examinations. Should there be any concerns or problems then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and best wishes for the New Year.

Yours sincerely

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