

## **Parentmail Update: 25.03.22: Year 11 Examinations**

Dear Parent/Carer

### **Mock examinations**

Your child has recently sat mock examinations in a number of their subjects. The scripts for these examinations have now been marked, moderated and graded and your child has received feedback on their performance during their timetabled lessons. We hope that your child has found this experience valuable and that it will enable them to approach the summer examination series with confidence.

As you are aware from previous correspondence, the intention of the mock examinations was to provide pupils with experience of sitting formal examinations prior to the external series in the summer term. This experience has allowed pupils to understand the examination process, the statutory procedures that are followed and it has enabled them to identify where they are in their learning and what needs to be done to be fully prepared for the summer examinations.

When discussing outcomes with your child, please bear in mind that aspirational grade boundaries have been used in line with pre-pandemic grade distributions and that Qualifications Wales have announced that, in 2022, they will aim for results to reflect broadly a midway point between 2021 and 2019.

Thank you

The Examinations Team

### **Year 11 - Exams and Qualifications 2022**

On Wednesday 30 March at 5.00pm we will be holding an online information session for parents/ carers of pupils in Year 11. The purpose of the presentation will be to provide up to date information regarding the GCSE examinations process this year. Therefore, we will explain how this year's exam season will work, the mitigations put into place by exam boards as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, and how to move forward after the experience of the recent mock exams.

There will be an opportunity to ask questions after the presentation.

We will send a link to parents next week to enable you to join the online session if you wish. As a follow up, Miss Best (Leader of Achievement for Year 11) and Mr Burgum (Assistant Headteacher - Senior School) will be running online drop in sessions for parents on Thursday 31 March and Friday 1 April 2022. These drop in sessions will allow parents to raise and discuss more specific areas of concern on a one to one basis.

Each appointment will last 10 minutes and parents will be invited to make appointments to speak to Mr Burgum or Miss Best via the School's online parents' evening system - School Cloud. More information about this will be sent to you on Monday.

We wish all families an enjoyable weekend.