

December 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to inform you that all Year 12 and Year 13 students will have mock examinations from the Monday 25 January to Wednesday 27 January 2021. Students will have mock examinations for all subjects, other than in BTEC subjects where they also have an official examination in January. Timetables for the examinations will be provided for students upon their return to school, following the Christmas break. Students will be informed of the format their examination will take, by each of their subject teachers.

Examinations will each be two hours in length and will take place in the Sports Hall, following JCQ guidelines and with formal invigilation. Students who have examination access arrangements (e.g. extra time, rest breaks etc.) will receive this provision.

This will be the only opportunity for Year 13 students to experience full exam conditions before their official examinations in the Summer of 2021, it is therefore important that students take advantage of this. As Year 12 students were unable to experience examination conditions for their GCSEs, we feel that this too, will be highly beneficial.

Students are expected to bring their own stationery items such as black pens, pencils, a ruler, a protractor, compass and an eraser, in a clear pencil case or plastic bag. For more information about what they can and cannot bring into the exam rooms, please read the JCQ 'Information for Candidates' which is attached to this letter.

Mock examination results will be distributed to students on Wednesday 24 February 2021. The results will inform next steps in teaching, revision requirements, as well as contributing to formative assessment.

Students are not expected to attend school during this period, unless they have a mock examination. If they have both a morning and afternoon session, they are able to use the study rooms in the Sealby Block (Year 13) or the Hunter Block (Year 12) to revise. If students do not have an examination in the afternoon, they are expected to leave the site. Students must sign in and out electronically using their lanyards, as per normal school routines.

Please note that there will be additional Covid-19 Health and Safety measures put in place for the examinations to ensure compliance with government guidelines. These instructions will be communicated with all students through Form Time and PSHE. Further information can also be obtained from Mrs J Jones, Examinations Officer (jjones@rossettschool.co.uk).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely

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