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Wednesday 24th November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Monday 29th November 2021, our formal mock examination period will begin for Year 11 students. These exams are the best way for students to demonstrate their learning and identify what they need to work on before their real exams in the summer. Students will complete their official GCSE and vocational exams from the week commencing 16th May 2022, which is 19 school weeks away.

Recently, we have received additional information from Ofqual about the contingency arrangements for students' summer exams. If these exams are unable to go ahead again due to the pandemic, we will be asked to provide teacher assessed grades for students. These grades must be based on assessment evidence from throughout Year 11, and these assessments must be completed in strict exam conditions. This means that students:

- **Must follow all exams guidance provided by JCQ and displayed in the exam rooms**
- **Must follow all instructions from invigilators**
- **Must be reported to the exam boards if they commit malpractice**
- Must not know the questions in advance
- Must work independently and without assistance (unless entitled to access arrangements)
- Must not have access to books or revision notes during exams
- Must be timed and supervised at all times
- Cannot complete the same paper as their peers if they miss the exam

As a result of this additional guidance, we have changed some of the times of the mock examinations originally published. These changes only affect students Choice 2 and Choice 3 exams. Students have already been provided with an updated timetable, we have also updated the exams information and newsletter which you can find on the link below.

<https://www.kelvinhall.net/parents-exam-support>

I would like to stress that if students fail to follow examination rules in our mock examination series we are now **required** to report them to the relevant exam board. This is a new rule for this academic year. If students are reported for malpractice this can have serious consequences including disqualification from individual papers, disqualification from whole qualifications, and disqualification from anything provided by the exam board.

The December mock examination series is the first piece of formal assessment evidence we are collecting that would be used for teacher assessed grades. This means **it is incredibly important that students attend school take the mock exams seriously, prepare well for the examinations, and make a good effort to perform at their best**. If students miss an exam, this will weaken the available evidence to award them a grade if needed in the future.

All of this information has been shared with students in an assembly on Tuesday 23rd November 2021. Please take the opportunity to discuss this with your child and make sure they understand the importance of their mocks. As always, thank you for your support.

Kind regards,

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Head of School





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Resources for additional and catch-up learning

Guidance regarding exams, adjustments to qualifications, and subject-specific revision guidance

<https://www.kelvinhall.net/parents-exam-support>

Curriculum Plans for Kelvin Hall School showing what students have covered this year

<https://sites.google.com/yhclt.net/kelvin-curriculum-2020/home>

Revision resources and exam questions provided by Kelvin Hall School teachers

<https://sites.google.com/kelvinhall.net/kelvinindependence>

Student lesson resources from their classes this year

<https://classroom.google.com/>

Revision classes at Kelvin Hall

<https://www.kelvinhall.net/after-school-club>

Elevate education study skills masterclass

Students have the completed booklets from this training

Online lessons provided by Oak National Academy

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/>

Help accessing Google Classroom and suggested independent revision and catch-up resources provided by Kelvin Hall department leaders

<https://www.kelvinhall.net/curriculum-home-learning>

Key Stage 3 revision resources

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z4kw2hv>

Key Stage 4 revision resources

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z98jmp3>

Knowledge and revision resources for a variety of subjects

<https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/>

