

Dear Parent / Carer

I am writing to inform you that as part of the process of preparing your child for their GCSEs in the summer term that I will be assessing their progress by giving them a mock exam in February. The mock exam will cover all six exam papers in science. If your child is sitting the Combined Science exams, please make sure that they have all of the necessary revision resources to prepare for these exams. Likewise, if they are revising for Biology, Chemistry and Physics Separate Science they will also need all of the necessary revision resources to revise for these exams. These revision resources can still be purchased on parent pay. Important final tier entry decisions will be made following the results of these exams. It is therefore important that all students prepare fully for these mock exams and try their very best. I will be asking my team of teachers to inspect the home-produced revision resources of all of our students. It is expected that all students spend a minimum of five hours revision per week on Science. Combined Science is a double award GCSE, so should be prepared for by allocating the correct amount of time needed for two GCSE subjects. Please can you ensure that your child is revising at home in a suitable place, where they can concentrate and avoid distractions, especially those caused by electronic devices. Please take the time to monitor your child's Science revision. Ask them questions and quiz them on their revision this will undoubtedly help and boost their confidence.



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In addition, free Science tuition / revision is currently offered in school on a Tuesday and a Thursday evening until 4.00pm. It is essential that all Year 11 students are accessing this. Nearer the time of the exams, revision may also be offered during holidays, weekends and in a morning before school starts.

Thank you for your support and I look forward to your son / daughter being successful in Science in their mock and summer GCSEs. If you have any questions about your child's science revision or exams please do not hesitate to contact me at school on 01207 232881.

Kind regards.


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