



# THE BUCKINGHAM SCHOOL

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Dear Parent / Carer

### Year 11/13 Mock Examinations

I am writing to inform you of our decision to move the date of the upcoming Year 11/13 mock examination period.

The mock exams would ordinarily take place in January/February of each year. As you are probably aware, the Government recently altered the GCSE and A-level examination dates and so we would like to use this extra time to ensure students are fully prepared for their next mocks. The results of these will give teachers vital information on areas of strengths, weaknesses and misconceptions at an individual level. Therefore, we have taken the decision that the mock exams will now take place 1<sup>st</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

A full mock examination timetable will be published nearer the time. In the meantime, students should be preparing by revising each section of the syllabus carefully. Students may also wish to attend one of our Period 13 Revision Sessions after school. Staff will be working with students on revision techniques in tutorials as well as in lesson.

Between now and the mock exams, teachers will be working with students in class on pre-assessments tasks, such as revision activities, past exam paper practice and extended writing practice. At home, students should be using a range of different revision resources such as GCSE Pod and Seneca Learning as well as their class notes. It is important that students are well prepared for these exams and have revised fully.

We have also set up a Revision Hub within our website where we will be sharing revision techniques and exam support. Some information relating to Year 11 has already been added and support for Year 13 will be added in due course. Please keep checking this area of our website regularly as resources will continue to be added.

<https://www.buckinghamsschool.org/page/?title=Revision+Hub+for+Years+11+%26amp%3B+13&pid=349&action=saved>

Should you have any questions regarding the mock examinations, please do not hesitate to contact [exams@buckinghamsschool.org](mailto:exams@buckinghamsschool.org) who will do their best to help you.

Yours faithfully

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*The Buckingham School is concerned that every student should have the opportunity to attend school activities/obtain equipment, regardless of their financial circumstances. As such, it may be possible to subsidise those students who would otherwise be unable to attend trips/purchase items. Please feel free to write in confidence Mrs K Bones at [kbones@buckinghamsschool.org](mailto:kbones@buckinghamsschool.org), if you wish to seek assistance, or obtain more information about Pupil Premium funding.*

