



# THE BUCKINGHAM SCHOOL

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Dear Parent / Carer

I am writing to you to inform you of the upcoming Mock Examinations for Years 11 and 13 students which will be taking place between 2nd-16th November 2020.

We are doing all we can to prepare students for these in school, but it is important that all students take them seriously. We will use Mock Examination data to assess potential gaps in students' learning caused by the period of school closure due to lockdown and also to determine where interventions are needed.

Last academic year, Mock Examination data played a big role in assigning Centre Assessment Grades (CAGs). Whilst we are not expecting to have to do this again this year, with the ever changing nature of the way the country is dealing with Covid-19 in schools, it is important that the data we have for each student is as reliable as it can be.

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

Please find attached a copy of the mock examination timetable. When students are not in Mock Examinations they will be expected to attend their normal lessons.

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

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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@buckinghamschool.org](mailto:kbones@buckinghamschool.org), if you wish to seek assistance, or obtain more information about Pupil Premium funding.*

