

THE BUCKINGHAM SCHOOL

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Dear Parent / Carer,

Mock Exams

I am writing to inform you of our Mock Examinations that will take place between Monday 20th November and Friday 1st December. Mock Exams are an essential component of exam preparation for any qualification. They allow students to mimic the real exam experience under timed conditions, with exam standard questions. Mock Exams allow both students and teachers to gauge progress and identify where improvements need to be made.

A full Mock Examination timetable has been sent along with this letter and students will also be issued with individual timetables after they return from half term. Students should be preparing for their Mock Examinations by revising each section of the syllabus carefully.

Between now and the Mock Exams, teachers will be working with students in class on pre-assessment 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 Seneca Learning, as well as their class notes and different revision techniques, which they will be learning in the coming weeks and months. It is important that students are well prepared for these exams and have revised fully.

May I also take this opportunity to stress the importance that these Mock Exams are carried out in strict examination conditions. I have included with this letter an updated student guide on what constitutes malpractice, including information on mobile phones, watches and headphones/airpods/ear buds. All students will be expected to have read and understood this before the examinations. These are the guidelines that the Joint Council of Qualifications (JCQ) ensures all accredited examination sites adhere to, which ensures consistency across the country.

The Mock Exam timetable and all the JCQ documents, will be posted on the School website should you need to refer to these.

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

Yours faithfully,

Mr P Toovey

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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 to finance@buckinghamschool.org, if you wish to seek assistance, or obtain more information about Pupil Premium funding.

	Monday 20th November	Tuesday 21st November	Wednesday 22nd November	Thursday 23rd November	Friday 24th November
Subject	Y11 English Literature P.1	Y11 Maths P.1	Y11 Geography P.1 Y12 Business Unit 3 Y13 Biology (breadth)	Y11 Combined Sci Biology Y11 Separate Sci Biology	Y11 Psychology P.1 Y13 Biology (depth)
Start Time	08.40	08.40	08.40	08.40	11.00
Length	1 hr 45	1 hr 30	1 hr 30 1 hr 30 1 hr 30	F / H 1 hr 15 F / H 1 hr 45	1 hr 30 1 hr 30
Room	Hall	Hall	Hall	Hall	Hall
Subject	Y11 Computer Science P.1 Y13 Chemistry (breadth) Y12 / 13 BTEC Sport Unit 1 Y13 French Listening / Reading / Writing Y13 Spanish Listening / Reading / Writing	Y11 GCSE PE P.1 Y11 BTEC Sport Y13 Maths Pure (AS) Y13 English Literature	Y11 French Reading Y11 Spanish Reading Y13 PE P.1 Y13 History (Britain)	Y11 Business P.1 Y12 / 13 BTEC Sport Unit 2 Y13 Psychology P.1 Y13 Chemistry (depth)	Y11 French Writing Y11 Spanish Writing Y13 Film
Start Time	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	13.40
Length	1 hr 30 1 hr 30 1 hr 30 1 hr 30 1 hr 45 1 hr 45	1 hr 15 1 hr 30 2 hrs 2 hrs	F 45 mins H 1 hr 2 hrs 1 hr 30	1 hr 45 1 hr 30 1 hr 30 2 hrs 30	F 1 hr H 1 hr 15 2 hrs 30
Room	Hall Separate room (MFL)	Hall	Hall	Hall	Hall
Subject	Y11 French Listening	Y11 Spanish Listening	Y11 History (Anglo-Saxon & Norman)		
Start Time	14.10	14.10	14.00		
Length	F 35 mins H 45 mins	F 35 mins H 45 mins	55 mins		
Room	TBC	ТВС	Hall		

	Monday 27th November	Tuesday 28th November	Wednesday 29th November	Thursday 30th November	Friday 1st December
Subject	Y11 Combined Sci Chemistry Y11 Separate Sci Chemistry	Y11 Film Y13 Psychology P.2 Y13 Physics (breadth)	Y11 Maths P.3	Y11 Combined Sci Physics Y11 Separate Sci Physics Y13 Business Unit 2	Y11 Design & Technology Y13 Maths Pure (A) Y13 Law
Start Time	08.40	08.40	08.40	08.40	08.40
Length	F / H 1 hr 15 F / H 1 hr 45	1 hr 30 1 hr 30 1 hr 30 1 hr 30	1 hr 30	F / H 1 hr 15 F / H 1 hr 45 3 hrs	2 hrs 2 hrs 1 hr 30
Room	Hall	Hall	Hall	Hall IT room	Hall IT room
Subject	Y11 Maths P.2 Y13 Geography P.1	Y11 English Literature P.2	Y11 Geography P.2 Y13 Maths Applied (AS) Y13 French Writing (Film) Y13 Spanish Writing (Film)	Y11 Food Prep Y13 Physics (depth)	Y11 GCSE PE P.2 Y13 PE P.2 Y13 Chemistry P.3 Y13 History (Witchcraze)
Start Time	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
Length	1 hr 30 2 hrs 15	2 hrs 15 - will go over into lunch time. Y11 will need later lunch	1 hr 1 hr 15 1 hr 30 1 hr 30	1 hr 45 1 hr 30	1 hr 15 2 hrs 1 hr 30 2 hrs 30
Room	Hall Separate room	Hall	Hall	Hall	Hall
Subject	Y11 History (Medicine)		Y13 History (Dictatorships)		
Start Time	13.50		14.00		
Length	1 hr 15		1 hr		
Room	Hall		Hall		