



# TENBURY HIGH

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## Year 10 Mock Examinations – So Far

So far, our Year 10 students have approached their mock examinations with focus, maturity and determination. We are extremely pleased with the effort shown and the positive outcomes being achieved, which reflect both classroom learning and independent revision.

A particular highlight has been students' engagement with our booster and revision sessions. Attendance and commitment have been strong, and these sessions have undoubtedly supported students in consolidating key knowledge, building confidence and improving exam technique. We strongly encourage students to continue valuing this additional support as they progress towards their GCSE examinations.

While the mock period has been overwhelmingly positive, there was one concern involving a mobile phone going off during an examination. As outlined on our school website, Tenbury High Ormiston Academy operates a strict no-phone policy, and mobile phones are not permitted during the school day unless handed in and secured in line with school procedures.

In addition to being a breach of school policy, this is also a very serious matter under JCQ (Joint Council for Qualifications) regulations. JCQ rules are explicit: possession of a mobile phone or electronic device in an exam—whether it is used or not—can result in disqualification from that examination, and potentially the entire qualification. These consequences are determined by the examination boards and must be enforced by the school.

We therefore remind all students that:

- Any device brought onto site must be handed in and secured according to school policy
- Students are personally responsible for ensuring they comply with all exam regulations

As students move closer to formal GCSE assessments, it is vital that expectations are taken seriously. One lapse in judgement can have significant and lasting consequences on exam outcomes and future opportunities.

We are proud of Year 10's progress so far and are confident that, by continuing to work hard, engaging well in the booster sessions and follow school policies carefully, they will remain well-prepared for the demands ahead.

Yours sincerely

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