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Dear Parents/Carers and Pupils

Year 10 Mock Examination Update

We would like to take this opportunity to reflect on the recent mock examination period and to acknowledge the manner in which students approached this important milestone. These assessments placed students in a position many had never experienced before: working independently in a formal exam hall, under strict conditions, with clear time pressures and expectations.

Overall conduct during the mock examinations was appropriate and professional. There were no incidents of malpractice, and behaviour throughout the exam period was largely orderly and compliant. Students demonstrated an understanding of the seriousness of formal assessments and the importance of following examination regulations.

Particular recognition to the year whilst sitting extended papers, such as the English Literature exam, which lasted 2 hours and 15 minutes. For some students, this proved to be extremely demanding, exposing a lack of exam stamina, preparation, and readiness for sustained independent work. Maintaining focus for such a prolonged period was clearly a struggle for a number of candidates, particularly those who had not fully engaged in preparation beforehand. In several cases, this highlighted an over-reliance on short-term effort rather than consistent revision. Nevertheless, even where difficulties were evident, the experience forced students to confront the realities of formal examinations and highlighted the level of resilience, organisation, and discipline that will be required moving forward.

These mock examinations have been a valuable learning experience for all students. They have provided a realistic insight into the expectations of real exams and have clearly identified areas that require improvement. We hope students reflect honestly on this experience and use it as a catalyst to improve preparation, work ethic, and exam readiness in the coming months and year.

Yours sincerely

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