

# Tapton SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

## Year 11 Trial Examination Timetable

Further to our letter last week, Year 11 students will have a Trial Examination period beginning on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024. Year 11 students will have a combination of examinations and lessons during the examination phase and therefore will need to bring revision materials to lessons so that, where possible, they can revise when they are not in an examination.

Please find attached a copy of the Year 11 Trial Exam timetable. Before half term students will also receive a personalised copy of the timetable showing only their exams, seat numbers and exam locations. If your child has an exam clash this will be dealt with on their personalised timetable. Additionally, if your child has a specific access arrangement our Learning Support team will speak with them about their arrangements. Please note that all morning exams will start at 9:00am and all afternoon sessions will begin at 1.30. These are the start times for all national exams so the Trial Exams will mirror these timings. **If you usually collect your child from school, please note that during this exam phase all examination students will be dismissed from school directly after their afternoon examinations.** We will adjust the timings of break where necessary for all students completing a mid-morning examination to ensure students have an opportunity to go to the toilet and get refreshments before the exam.

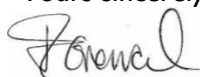
During the exams we expect students to:

- Display exemplary levels of behaviour, attendance and punctuality; please note there may not be an opportunity to catch up on missed exams.
- Arrive in full school uniform.
- Be organised; make sure they bring the correct equipment to school, including a calculator, black pens, pencils, an eraser, a protractor, a pair of compasses, and a ruler.
- Remember to follow the guidance from JCQ including handing in all phones and watches to invigilators at the start of the exam. **These items cannot be left in school bags and must be handed in to invigilators in exam wallets.**

The trial examinations are a crucial part of the preparation for the final GCSE examinations and should be approached with a similar degree of seriousness and effort. Whilst they are in some ways a dress rehearsal for the real exams, they are undoubtedly a key part of the learning process required to ensure that students achieve their full potential in the summer. Students should approach these examinations with a determination to do their best and therefore prepare thoroughly.

I look forward to giving you more information about the final exams and processes at our Exam Information evening on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February at 6pm.

Yours sincerely



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