

19th January 2022



**Southfields
Academy**

Dear Parent or Carer

Re: Year 12 A Level & GCSE English Mock Examinations Thursday 27th January – Thursday 3rd February

Please find the Year 12 mock exams timetable included with this letter. This has been shared with students and they should check it carefully, so that they know the dates and times of their exams.

These mock examinations are important because:

- The results help teachers assess progress and support improvement.
- Students gain an opportunity to practice the exam in exam conditions and gain confidence ahead to the external examinations they will sit in the summer.
- They prompt students to revise and prepare for the examination and give them an opportunity to see where they need to make improvements.

Note that there is no study leave and students must attend their timetabled lessons when not in an exam. This is to ensure that students continue to receive support from their teachers throughout the week of the mocks. Teachers will be mindful of the pressure students will feel to do well in these examinations and provide opportunities for revision.

Please encourage your child to prepare thoroughly for their exam(s) and remind them to:

- Arrive punctually for their exams and adhere to the dress code.
- Remember all equipment necessary (including 2 black pens, pencils, rubber, ruler and calculator or other equipment where required) in a clear plastic pencil case.
- Line up sensibly in the playground with mobile phones switched off
- Enter the exam venue in silence and observe all instructions given by the examiner.

Also included with this letter is a copy of the JCQ student guide for exams, which exam candidates need to familiarise themselves with.

I hope that your child will take this opportunity to do their best and achieve well.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

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