

28<sup>th</sup> October 2024



**Re: Year 11 PPE Mock exams and other important information**

Dear parent/guardian,

As your child is now in Year 11, I am writing to you to let you know about some of the key dates coming up and support we have in place for our students. The GCSE's begin in 22 academic school weeks and it is vital that students maximise their learning in this time.

After half term, Year 11 students will sit their first Year 11 PPE's (Pre-public examinations). These will run from **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November until Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2024**. We will use the results from these exams to predict GCSE's grades as well as making intervention plans. Colleges will request these grades on application, therefore it is imperative that students try their best.

The timetable of these exams can be found at the bottom of this letter and on they Year 11 Team that all of our Year 11's have access too (Microsoft Teams).

We ask now for your support over the next few months. For some students, Year 11 and the GCSE's can be a stressful time. We do everything we can in school and we know you will at home too.

**How to support your child at home:**

1. Support your son/daughter to attend school. Students with over 93% attendance perform much better than other students. We see this nationally and within our own academy.  
Last year, only 20% of students with below 90% attendance secured 4+'sin both English and Maths
2. Please ensure appointments are made outside of school time where at all possible
3. Our teachers, go above and beyond, offering afterschool revision/intervention sessions after school. Our staff do not get paid for this, but offer their time to support our Year 11's. Please can you support and encourage your child(ren) to attend as many of these sessions as possible. Some students have been specifically invited to attend certain subjects – a separate letter has been sent to those parents/carers. Their attendance to these sessions is expected and rewarded according to our rewards policy. All sessions run from **2.50pm – 3.50pm**

Year 11 afterschool intervention timetable:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Sep. Science	Geography	English
History	Spanish	Maths PDI
Art JMC	French	RS
Music	Art KMM	Food
	H&S	Sport
	Media	PD
	Maths PIB	Art JMC

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4. Homework. All of our teachers set regular homework. The purpose of homework is to build upon classroom learning and embed key knowledge through recall. It gives pupils the opportunity to research topics further and in more depth, and it teaches them to work towards and meet deadlines. Homework is set using a variety of platforms which can be accessed on line via the iPad or on paper handouts.

Subject	How is homework set?
Maths	SPARX
English	SPARX/ TEAMS/Forms quiz
Science	EDUCAKE
History	TEAMS/Forms quiz
Geography	TEAMS/Forms quiz
RS	TEAMS
Spanish	Paper handout
French	Paper handout
Art	Paper handout/sketchbooks
Photography	Sketchbooks/Take photographs
Food	TEAMS/Forms quiz
H&SC	H&SC TEAMS/Booklets
Sport	TEAMS/Forms quiz
Product Design	TEAMS/Forms/KS4 sketchbooks
Media Studies	TEAMS/Forms
Sociology	TEAMS

5. As an academy we have paid for all students to have access to online revision guides. Students can sign up using their school email address and password. A how to can be found at: [Getting Started: Pearson Revise eBook Revision Subscription - YouTube](#)
6. Understand there will be times when they may be stressed. Year 11 can be a stressful time, so it is important our students have a routine which enables them to build in revision time as well as rest time and good sleeping habits. If you feel your child(ren) are struggling, please do let us know. Our Year 11 pastoral leaders are the first contact in school and can be reached on:  
Owen McGrattan : [owen.mcgrattan@oasismediacityuk.org](mailto:owen.mcgrattan@oasismediacityuk.org)
7. ‘Nag them’ little and often – the best results are achieved by working consistently across the year rather than cramming all of their revision in to May/ June – they need to start now!

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Thank you to you all for supporting us, as an academy, and your child (ren) so well this year and should you have any queries regarding this report, or would like any additional advice on how to support your child, please do not hesitate to contact the me for further guidance.

Many thanks,

Mrs Jo Gorman  
Deputy Principal

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#### **Year 11 November PPE timetable 2024**

**\*Please note: some of the exams may change times/date, however, the papers being sat will not change**

		Period	Subject	Classes	Length			
Week One	Monday 11th November 2024	1	History P1 Migration	11/Hi	1hr 20mins			
		2						
		3	English Language Paper 1	All	1hr 45mins			
		4						
		5						
	Tuesday 12th November 2024	1	Combined & Triple Science Biology Paper 1	All	C 1hr 15 mins - T 1hr 45m			
		2						
		3	Spanish Reading and Lisitening	11/Sp	Foundation - 1hr 30min Higher - 1hr 50mins			
		4						
		5						
	Wednesday 13th November 2024	1	English Literature Paper 2 - Modern texts and Poetry	All	2hr 15mins			
		2						
		3	Geography P2 Challenges in the Human Environment	11/Gg	1hr 30mins			
		4						

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	Thursday 14th November 2024	5	History Cold War	11/Hi	55 mins			
		1	Maths Paper 1 Non Calc	All	1hr 30mins			
		2						
		3	French reading and Listening	11/Fr	Foundation - 1hr 25mins Higher - 1hr 50mins			
		4						
		5	Geography Paper 3 Geographical Applications	11/Gg	45 mins			
		Friday 15th November 2024	1	Combined Science & Triple Chemistry Paper 1	All	C 1hr 15 mins - T 1hr 45m		
	2							
	3		RE Modern World	11/RS	1 Hour			
	4							
	5							

		Period	Subject	Classes	Length			
Week Two	Monday 18th November 2024	1	Maths Paper 2 Calc	All	1hr 30mins			
		2						
		3	RE Christianity	11/Rs	1 hour			
		4						

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Tuesday 19th November 2024	5						
	1	Combined Science & Triple Physics Paper 1	All	C 1hr 15 mins - T 1hr 45m			
	2						
	3	RE Islam	11/Rs	1 hour			
	4						
5							
Wednesday 20th November 2024	1	Spanish Writing / French Writing	11/Sp/Fr	Foundation - 1hr Higher 1hr 20mins			
	2						
	3	Product Design	11/Pd	1hr 30 mins			
	4						
	5	Sociology	11/So	55mins			
Thursday 21st November 2024	1	Maths OCR PAPER 1	All	1hr 30mins			
	2						
	3	Media Studies Component 2	11/Me	1hr 30min			
	4						
	5						
Friday 22nd November 2024	1	Maths OCR PAPER 2	All	1hr 30mins			
	2						

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		3	Sociology	11/So	1hr 45mins			
		4						
		5						

		Period	Subject	Classes			
Week 3	Monday 25th November 2024	1	Food Practical	11/FS	2hr		
		2					
		3	Food Practical	11/FS	2hrs		
		4					
	5						
	Tuesday 26th November 2024	1	Food Practical	11/FS	2hr		
		2					
		3	Food Practical	11/FS	2hrs		
4							
5							

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