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Dear Parents/Carers

The Year 10 mock examinations begin from week commencing 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021. The examination papers have been designed to assess what pupils understand from their courses so far and what they have already secured in their long term memories. We are making sure we build in enough time for pupils to receive feedback on their mocks before the end of the academic year so they know what they need to do to improve next year.

These mock exams will be held in formal exam conditions in the Sports Hall. The papers pupils will sit will be modified to reflect the fact that we are still midway through courses. This means that no single paper will be longer than 90 minutes in duration. Those entitled to extra time will of course be given this.

## The mock timetable appears on the next page.

You can support your child in preparing for these exams using the guidance in our booklet: <u>https://barrbeaconschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Exams-Help-Document-Spreads.pdf</u>

If your child has not yet produced a revision timetable, here is our 'How to': <u>https://barrbeaconschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/The-DOs-and-DONTs-of-revision-timetables.pdf</u>

Each pupil has a guide on how to revise effectively (and avoid procrastination) in their planners. There is also our video which explains how to self-quiz (the best revision strategy): <a href="https://barrbeaconschool.co.uk/how-to-self-quiz/">https://barrbeaconschool.co.uk/how-to-self-quiz/</a>

As I am sure you are aware, we are doing everything possible to ensure the success of Year 10 beyond their usual lessons. This includes morning revision assemblies where we retrieve key bits of knowledge and help get it stuck in their memories. After school intervention has been very successful in helping pupils address gaps in their knowledge and, although the Period 6 intervention for specific subjects has run its course for now, all subjects will now be running similar interventions for pupils who require targeted support. They will place stickers in your child's planner so you can see in advance when they are expected to attend these extra sessions. In-school intervention for English and maths will also continue.

In lessons themselves, we are making sure that all pupils are demonstrating effective learning behaviours and not letting themselves down by opting when teachers ask them questions. Their teachers are constantly checking to make sure they remain focused, producing their best work, and we have been explicit with pupils that we are not going to allow them to be 'passengers' in their learning.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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## Year 10 Provisional Mock Timetable

The timetable and timings are subject to change.

	9:00 Start	11:20 Start (unless stated)	1:05 Start
Monday 7th June			Psychology P1 (1hr 20 mins) Textiles (1hr 30 mins)
Tuesday 8th June	English Lit P1 (1hr 30 mins)	Statistics P1 (1hr)	Biology (1hr 30 mins) Science P1 (1hr 15 mins)
Wednesday 9th June	Maths P1 (1hr 30 mins)	History P1 (1hr)	French P1&2 (1hr 45 mins) Spanish P1&2 (1hr 45 mins)
Thursday 10th June	English Lang P1 (1hr 30mins)	GCSE Media (1hr)	Chemistry (1hr 30 mins) Science P2 (1hr 15 mins)
Friday 11th June	Maths P2 (1hr 30 mins)	Geography P1 (1hr)	French P3 (1hr 20 mins) Spanish P3 (1hr 20 mins)
Monday 14th June	English Lit P2 (1hr 20 mins)	History P2 (1hr)	Computer Science (1hr 30 mins)
Tuesday 15th June	10C-DA Dance Workshop Psychology P2 (1hr 20 mins) Drama (1hr) 1 pupil - Philosophy (1hr 30 mins)*CLASH*	10B-DA Dance Workshop IT (1hr 30 mins) 11:40 to 13:10 Childcare (1hr 30 mins) 11:40 to 13:10 Philosophy (1hr 30 mins) 11:40 to 13:10	
Wednesday 16th June	English Lang P2 (1hr 30mins)	Geography P2 (1hr)	GCSE PE (1hr 30 mins) Health & Fitness (1 hr 30 mins) Sport Science (1hr 30 mins)
Thursday 17th June	Maths P3 (1hr 30 mins)	Statistics P2 (1hr)	Art (1hr 30 mins) Sociology (1hr 30 mins)
Friday 18th June	Physics (1hr 30 mins) Science P3 (1hr 15 mins)		
Monday 21st June	PE Practical		
Tuesday 22nd June	Dance Practical	Dance Practical	Dance Practical