Re: KH/AC/Year12MockExamination

19th May 2025

Year 12 Mock Examination

Barr Beacon School

Dear Parents/Carers,

The Year 12 mock examinations begin from Friday 23rd May 2025. 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 memory.

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 can be found here https://barrbeaconschool.co.uk/exams/ Your child will be issued with an individual timetable for the examinations series. Please ensure that this is kept safe and that your child knows their seat number before each exam. If your child has not yet produced a revision timetable, here is our 'How to': https://barrbeaconschool.co.uk/revision-resources/ 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): https://barrbeaconschool.co.uk/how-to-self-quiz/

As I am sure you are aware, we are doing everything possible to ensure the success of Year 12 beyond their usual lessons. In lessons themselves, we are making sure that all pupils are demonstrating effective learning behaviours. Their teachers are checking to make sure they remain focused, producing their best work, and we have been explicit with pupils that we do not enable them to be 'passengers' in their learning.

If your child is invited to attend the masterclasses available, they will receive a sticker in their planner with the details of the day and subject for the session. Additionally, the invitation will appear on your child's ClassCharts account. Sessions will provide an opportunity for pupils to receive focused support, and deepen their knowledge in a structured environment. We encourage you to support your child in attending whenever possible. Pupils who attend the masterclasses will receive a positive point on ClassCharts as a recognition of their commitment to their learning.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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Mrs K Hibbs Headteacher







