

KH/LMC/TM/Yr10Mocks

15<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Dear Parent/ Carer,

### Year 10 Mock Examinations



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Please find below an overview of the mock examinations that Year 10 will be completing in the next few months. Pupils have also had this schedule emailed to them and will receive a personalised copy shortly.

#### Exams

- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May – 1pm - English Language – 1hr 45mins
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May – 1pm – Maths Paper 1 (Non-Calculator) – 1hr 30mins
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – 1pm – English Literature – 1hr 45mins
- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June – 1pm – Biology – 1hr 15 mins (Combined) or 1hr 45mins (Triple)
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June – 1pm – Geography (1hr 30mins) or History (2hrs)
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June – 1pm – French/German Reading (1hr 30mins)
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June – 1pm – French/German Listening (1hr)
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June – 9am – Chemistry – 1hr 15 mins (Combined) or 1hr 45mins (Triple)
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June – 1pm – Computer Science/RE/Psychology/PE/Sociology (various lengths)
- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – 9am – Maths Paper 2 (Calculator) – 1hr 30mins
- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June - 1pm – Physics – 1hr 15 mins (Combined) or 1hr 45mins (Triple)
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July - Hospitality and Catering Practical exams
- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June – English Speaking and Listening Day
- Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June – Friday – Modern Foreign Languages Speaking Exams

1. **Why are the exams so spread out?**

These mock examinations are fitting around the final examinations for Year 11 and Year 13. Year 10's next mocks in Year 11 and indeed their real exams will feature exams much closer together and contain both morning and afternoon exams.

2. **Why are doing Mocks in Year 10?**

These exams will be the first opportunity for pupils to experience the rigour of an exam season, which will prepare them well for Year 11. These exams are placed early in the summer term of Year 10, so teachers have the time to give quality feedback to pupils ahead of the summer holidays. Having feedback ahead of the summer holidays will allow pupils to get ahead for the Autumn term of Year 11.

3. **Why are the results important?**

It is important that pupils take these exams seriously as it will help their teachers inform setting decisions for Year 11. The results from these mocks will also be used to inform decisions about appropriate tiering (foundation or higher paper) in Maths, Science and Modern Foreign Languages. Finally, the results of these exams will be used to decide what after school interventions pupils must attend in September/October.

4. **When will we get the results?**

Pupils will get their results in a mock assembly on 10<sup>th</sup> July. Parents will get the results uploaded onto their WEDUC accounts on the same day.



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5. **What will be on the exams?**  
All content covered during Year 10 will be on the exams. It is important that pupils are clear on what content has been covered this year. Your child's teacher will be ensuring that pupils are clear about what needs to be revised. This information can be found on knowledge organisers, here <https://barrbeaconschool.co.uk/revision-resources/> and here <https://barrbeaconschool.co.uk/curriculum/>
6. **Are all subjects having exams?**  
The vast majority of subjects are having at least 1 mock paper each during this period. Practical subjects/BTEC subjects will continue with coursework during this period.
7. **How should my child revise?**  
There are many ways to revise depending on how your child prefers to learn. Teachers will be able to guide your child to the best techniques for their subjects. The revision guides that you purchased in October will now be very useful.
8. **How will the exams be sat?**  
These mock examinations will be sat in the sports hall and will mirror all the strict regulations that need to be adhered to in official exams. As such, please ensure that you have familiarised yourself with these requirements <https://barrbeaconschool.co.uk/exams/>. It is extremely important that pupils follow the exam rules correctly and without question. We reserve the right to direct pupils to sit examinations at other schools if their behaviour compromises the integrity of the exams or harms the chances of others to succeed.
9. **How does my child know where to sit?**  
On their personalised timetable that they will receive shortly, there will be a seat number (e.g G7). It is very important that pupils know their seat numbers for each exam so that there is a smooth and prompt start.
10. **What does my child need?**  
Over the next few weeks, please ensure that your child is correctly equipped with exam materials as listed below. *We do not lend out equipment during exams.*
1. A clear (see-through) plastic pencil case large enough to hold all the following
  2. Black pen plus spares (only black pens can be used in exams)
  3. Ruler (at least 15cm)
  4. Pencils
  5. Rubber
  6. Scientific Calculator (e.g Casio Classwiz FX-85GTCW). *(please note calculator lids are not allowed in the exam hall)*
  7. Mathematical equipment (protractor, compass, set square)
  8. Highlighters are recommended, but not essential
  9. If a water bottle is used then it must only contain water and be in a see-through bottle with no labels/writing on
11. **What is not allowed in the exam room?**  
Pupils are not allowed watches (smart, digital or analogue) or anything in their pockets (e.g notes, pieces of paper). These items will be confiscated if present. Barr Beacon is a no mobile phone school. If a mobile is found on a pupil during an examination, then this will be



taken very seriously. We reserve the right to direct pupils who bring mobile phones into exams to another school to complete their studies.

12. **What are Access Arrangements?**

If your child already has access arrangements (e.g extra time) then these will be applied in these mocks. These first round of Mocks enable teachers to identify additional pupils who may be in need of extra support in future exams. For further information on access arrangements please see here <https://www.icq.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2026/03/JCQ-AARA-2025-March-26.pdf>. If you have questions about access arrangements and how these apply to your child, please email [postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk](mailto:postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk)

13. **What if my child misses an exam?**

Pupils should attend all exams. If there are extenuating circumstances that means a pupil missed a mock exam, then they will be offered the opportunity to complete these. Please contact [postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk](mailto:postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk) as soon as possible if you are aware of any absences during this period.

Yours sincerely



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