

02 February 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Please see below for very important information for Year 11 students.

### **Mock Exams**

On **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February**, the final set of Year 11 Mock Exams start. These will last until **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2026**.

The exam timetable is printed at the end of this letter. All students will be given an individual timetable and it will be on display in their tutor room and across the academy.

**It is vital that these exams are taken seriously.** Students have been spoken to about how important these mock exams are. We expect all students to prepare and revise well, show a positive attitude to the mock exams and behave correctly before, during and after each exam. We will be consistently communicating this message to all students and would appreciate if you could support this through your conversations at home.

Attendance over the mock examination period is crucial. **Therefore, please could you make every effort to avoid making appointments or taking holidays during this period.** It is also important that students are punctual to school and their exams.

Further, I would like to stress that **all mock examinations are important**, not just the core subjects (English, Maths, Science).

### **Rewards**

- Every student who attends 100% of their mock exams will be given a £20 Meadowhall voucher.
- Every student who makes good progress between mock 1 results (in November) and mock 2 results will be invited on a reward trip to BattleKart Sheffield (<https://www.battlekart.com/en/sheffield> )

### **Booster Sessions**

Booster sessions for the first exam of the day will be starting at 8:15am. Students need to arrive at school in time for the boosters, which will be led by an experienced member of staff and will contain vital exam tips and key content. Boosters for the exams starting at 11am or 1:30pm will be in school time. The exact details of these important sessions will be communicated to students in assembly and on daily posters around the academy.

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### Results Day

Your child will receive the results of their Mock Exams on Monday 23rd March.

### Drop Down Day

On Wednesday 4th February, all year 11 students will be off normal timetable to take part in sessions focusing on revision, reflection and careers. This will be a very important day. Please make sure your child attends and is punctual to school.

### After-school interventions

As you will know, there are many after-school interventions happening. These are regularly communicated to students. All students who have been invited to after-school intervention sessions must attend.

*One intervention session each week will be randomly selected to have pizza delivered to the room!*

### Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening for Year 11 will be on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

*Every student who attends with a parent will be entered into a prize draw. There will be 3 winners of a £100 Meadowhall voucher.*

### Homework

Please encourage and support your child with homework. Homework is a vital part of education and is valuable in helping students get the best grade possible.

*Every student who completes their Maths and English homework will be entered into a weekly prize draw. One student every week will win a £100 Meadowhall voucher.*

### Additional support:

Please support your child during this important period. This link is especially useful, giving good advice and guidance about how you can support your child: Help your child beat exam stress - NHS



If you have any questions or would like to discuss anything in more detail, please contact me on [kbarnett@firvale.com](mailto:kbarnett@firvale.com)

Kind regards,

*K Barnett*

Mr. Barnett  
KS4 Academic Lead.

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Date	9.00am	11.00	1.30
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> February			
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Art- All Day		
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Photography- All day		
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Photography- All day		
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Photography- All		
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	English Language 1hr 45mins		Child Development 1hr 15mins Statistics 1hr 30mins
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	Maths Paper 1- Non- Calculator 1hr 30mins	Science- Biology 1hr 15mins	Geography Paper 1 1hr 30mins
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Science- Chemistry 1hr 15mins	Spanish- Writing Higher- 1hr 20mins Foundation- 1hr 15mins	Religious Studies- Islam 1hr
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	History- Elizabeth & Germany 2hr		Sports Studies 1hr 15mins
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	English Literature 1hr 45mins		Religious Studies- Christianity 1hr
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Business 1hr 45mins		Spanish- Listening Higher- 1hr Foundation- 45mins
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Maths Paper 2- Calculator 1hr 30mins	Spanish- Reading Higher- 1hr Foundation- 45mins	Health & Social Care 1hr 15mins
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Maths Paper 3- Calculator 1hr 30mins		Music 1hr 30mins



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Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Food & Nutrition 1hr 45mins		History- Medicine 1hr 15mins
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Citizenship Paper 1 1hr 45mins		Science- Physics 1hr 15mins
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Citizenship Paper 2 1hr 45mins	Dance- All Day  Spanish- Speaking All day	
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Geography Paper 2/ 3 1hr 45mins	Hair & Beauty- All day	
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Hair & Beauty- All day		
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	Hair & Beauty- All day		
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Hair & Beauty- All day		

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