

Preparing for success – A Parent Guide Autumn Mock Exams 2022



As students prepare for the final year of their A level programme they will need to focus on achievement. Students have targets for their courses which they should achieve or exceed and all students should be focussing their efforts now. We know that you will wish to support us in keeping a watchful eye on commitments, including not exceeding **12 hours per week** in part-time jobs as statistics show this has detrimental impact on their ability to study for exams. Below is a guide list that students should adhere to in order to be successful in their final year.

1. Check students understand their examination timetables and that there are no clashes. If there are clashes with other centres please see the Examination Officer immediately.
2. Continue with excellent attendance records and do not take any time off during term time or have any unnecessary absences. As per the Post 16 Handbook issued to all students at the start of their A level programme, try to ensure all medical and other appointments are made outside teaching hours. If you must take time off please complete a Leave of Absence form before your appointment and return it to the sixth form office.
3. Attend, and be punctual to, all form times where intervention and revision sessions are offered
4. Be organised and have the right materials and equipment.
5. Respond to feedback given by subject teachers and staff that will help you improve.
6. Attend all extra workshops and revision sessions. Use revision materials and guides for the recommended texts and write revision aids.
7. Get enough sleep on a regular basis and eat a healthy diet: it is important to keep hydrated. All these factors play a vital part in ensuring effective revision. Statistics show where there is a disciplined sleep pattern students perform more highly.
8. Ensure coursework is handed in on time and written to the highest standard, proof check everything twice before submission paying particular attention to spelling, grammar and punctuation.
9. Remember to read the exam regulations. Equipment should be in a clear plastic bag or case, all pens must be black and any calculators need to be scientific. Rulers should be 30 cm in clear plastic. Water bottles should have labels removed and all mobile phones should be turned off and handed to the Exam Invigilator.