



THE ECCLESBOURNE SCHOOL

'Learning Together For The Future'

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 10 Mock Examinations: Tuesday 2nd May to Tuesday 9th May 2023

The Year 10 mock examinations are a vital element of GCSE preparation. These examinations will be in the venues students will take their actual GCSEs in next year to give students as real an experience as possible. Students will be assessed on the subject content that they have been taught since the start of Year 10. Teachers have made students aware of the range of content that will be assessed and provided them with advice and revision resources. The mocks are an opportunity to embed and test student knowledge and understanding and enable teachers and students to identify areas which need further work. Therefore, it is imperative that students try their best.

Year 10 mock examinations run from **Tuesday 2nd May to Tuesday 9th May 2023** and are unaffected by the NEU industrial action. Students are required to attend school normally during the examination period. When students are not in mocks, they will attend their normal lessons where they will be supported to revise effectively. Each student has been issued with an individual timetable with details of all their examinations. Please ensure that your child is aware of the dates of their examinations when their examinations start and the venue. Students are required to be present at the venue at least ten minutes before the scheduled start of the examination. The examination timetable is available on the school website here: [Exam Timetables Ecclesbourne School](#).

Please note that the English Language mock examination takes place on Tuesday 6th June and the Modern Foreign Language speaking examinations take place from Friday 23 June to Wednesday 28 June. English and Languages staff will provide you and your child with information regarding the format and content of these examinations.

Work Experience

All Year 10 students will take part in work experience during the week from Monday 3 July until Friday 7 July. This is a valuable opportunity for students to gain a real-life experience of the workplace, its expectations and what their future careers may involve. Please be reminded that the deadline for return of the green work experience forms for placements requiring a Health & Safety visit is Friday 21st April. However, forms can still be submitted until Friday 16 June for organisations whose Health and Safety is already cleared; these 'cleared' organisations are viewable on the Derbyshire database which students can access. If your children are struggling to secure a placement, then please contact us at the earliest opportunity and we can help.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss any element of this letter. We wish Year 10 students the best of luck with their upcoming examinations.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Duncker-Brown', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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