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Dear Parent/Carer,

We are writing to you as we prepare for the summer series of mock examinations in Year 10. These are designed to help students experience what the GCSE exams will look and feel like next year and are an opportunity for students to demonstrate their strengths and identify potential gaps in knowledge.

Students will be issued with an exam timetable that will reflect the courses they study and the spacing of exams as they would experience during the real exams next year. All exams for all subjects will take place in the Main Hall unless your child has reasonable adjustments made.

Students should ensure they come to exams fully equipped and aware of the specific needs for each exam. A link can be found <u>here</u> to the exams section of the school website which details requirements around equipment in more detail.

It is crucial that all Year 10 students see this time as one of great importance. We will be communicating this during form time; that mock examinations are a diagnostic tool in which both teachers and students alike can identify areas for development to ensure success in future assessments. The outcomes from these assessments may influence student choices for post-16 studies and following the exams students will be provided information about the sixth form offer here at Montsaye Academy.

We encourage students to complete independent revision. Below is a list of revision guides that have been recommended by subject staff. Any questions about appropriate materials for your child's option subjects should be directed to their class teacher.

English:

AQA is our exam board. CGP Guides are best for our key texts which are:

- A Christmas Carol
- Macbeth
- An Inspector Calls
- Power and Conflict
- AQA Language Paper 1
- AQA Language Paper 2

Maths:

Maths are following the Edexcel specification. CGP books would be best.

There are lots of resources on this link which Mr Darnbrook has set up: www.padlet.com/mrdarnbrook/mathsmaths





Mr Darnbrook also holds a Maths Surgery on a Tuesday lunch time which covers homework, revision, exam techniques and help with classwork. This is open to everyone.

Science:

Science are following the AQA specification and recommend any of the Clear Revise brand revision guides. These are available for Single and Combined Sciences.



History:

Saxon and Normans Paper 2 - Pearson REVISE Edexcel GCSE (9-1) History Anglo-Saxon and Norman England Revision Guide and Workbook: For 2024 and 2025 assessments and exams - incl. ... learning, 2022 and 2023 assessments and exams : Bircher, Rob: Amazon.co.uk: Books

Russia Paper 3 Pearson REVISE Edexcel GCSE (9-1) History Russia and the Soviet Union Revision Guide and Workbook: For 2024 and 2025 assessments and exams - incl. ... learning, 2022 and 2023 assessments and exams : Bircher, Rob: Amazon.co.uk: Books

If you have any questions around anything mentioned in this letter, please email your child's form tutor or their subject teacher. Staff members emails are at the bottom of this letter. Thank you again for your support, we are incredibly proud of Year 10 and are excited to see what they achieve this year.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's form tutor in the first instance.

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Yours sincerely,

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