

17th October 2025

Dear Parents and Carer

Year 11 will be sitting their first series of mock exams starting on Tuesday 4th November 2025. The mock exams will be a chance to prepare students for their GCSEs next summer and assess their current level.

These mock exams will ensure that your child fully understands the formal JCQ examination regulations, and how GCSE exams will run at The City Academy Bristol. They will also enable students to practice their revision techniques, and the feedback they receive from these mock exams will indicate where students need to focus their revision. These examinations will provide your child's teachers with a clear indication of where they may need additional support to be able to achieve their full potential during the summer 2026 exam period.

To help students be ready for the mock exams and be successful we ask that you support us and ensure that:

- Students are on time for school and fully equipped for exams.
- Morning exams start at 09:00am and afternoon exams start at 13:20pm
- Equipment – a see through pencil case, pen, pencil, ruler and calculator

It is important that the students are aware of the rules for exams as it is their responsibility and could affect their results in the summer if rules are not adhered to:

- Coats, hoodies and scarves are not permitted, students should be in full uniform.
- Phones and/or any other electrical devices should be switched off and, in the student's bag,
- Watches and smart watches should be in the student's bag
- All notes should be in the student's bag
- Only water is permitted, and the label must be removed. If using a reusable bottle, it should be see-through.

During tutor time and assemblies, we will be giving the students lots of help with revision techniques and study skills to make sure that they are well prepared for the mock exams, and they have found the way to revise that works best for them. All students have been given a revision timetable to help them organise their study time and make sure their revision is planned and effective. Students can also make the most of the online resources provided by the school:

Maths watch - <https://vle.mathswatch.co.uk/vle/>
Seneca - [Seneca - Learn 2x Faster \(senecalearning.com\)](https://www.senecalearning.com)

You can find the mock exam timetable below which shows all written exams which will take place during the mock period.

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We hope you find this information useful in guiding your child towards their mock exams and beyond.

Yours sincerely

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Week One Tuesday 4th November to Friday 7th November

| Monday 3 rd November | Tuesday 4 th November | Wednesday 5 th November | Thursday 6 th November | Friday 7 th November |
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| No Mocks | AM: Geography / History PM: Business / HSC | AM: English Lit PM: Spanish, Panjabi, Urdu, Bengali | AM: Combined Science / Biology PM: PE, Psych, Stats, D&T | AM: Maths PM: Computer Science |

Week Two Monday 10th November to Monday 17th November

| Monday 10 th November | Tuesday 11 th November | Wednesday 12 th November | Thursday 13 th November | Friday 14 th November |
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| AM: English Language PM: Maths | AM: Combined Science / Chem PM: RS | AM: Geography / History PM: Computer Science | AM: Combined Science / Physics PM: Maths | AM: Spanish, Panjabi, Urdu, Bengali PM: Business |
| Monday 17 th November | | | | |
| AM : Stats / PE | | | | |

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