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Dear Parent/Carer

Trial Examinations

As you are aware from the Year 11 Revision Guide Evening last half term, Year 11 students will commence trial examinations across a range of subjects from **Monday 13th November to Thursday 23rd November**. During the trial examinations, we will replicate the processes that students will follow during their final examinations in the summer to ensure they are fully aware of the expectations we have of them.

During the trial examination window, we stress the importance of students **attending every day**, so they do not miss the opportunity to receive vital feedback on how they are performing in each subject. It is also essential that students are fully prepared for each day's examinations with **full equipment**, including a calculator, revision guides and full uniform. On days where the morning exam finishes later than break time, students will receive a break, but we recommend that students bring a snack.

To support students with their preparation, we will be hosting **Pre-Achieve sessions** in the lower atrium from **7.45am each morning** during the trial examination period. During these sessions, subject specialists will be available to support students' preparations and we will also provide students with breakfast to ensure they are fuelled for their examinations. Before each examination, subject leaders will deliver briefings with reminders of key information and during each examination, each student will be provided with water and sweets for hydration and an additional burst of energy.

When not in trial examinations, students will attend normal lessons, but there are some changes to the Period 4 schedule to provide students with input in preparation for trial examinations the following day.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
W.C. 13th November	MATHS	ENGLISH	MATHS	SCIENCE	NORMAL PERIOD 4
W.C. 20th November	EBACC	SCIENCE	EBACC	FRIDAY PERIOD 4	INSET DAY

Independently, students can also prepare for these examinations by achieving their weekly goal for each subject on **Tassomai**, completing tasks on **Sparx** and the homework set on **Show My Homework**, as well as utilising the revision materials provided during the Year 11 Revision Guide Evening to focus on retrieval practice.

Yours faithfully

The Year 11 Team

