

### Y11 Careers, Mocks, Exams & Revision

Wednesday 1st February 2023

#### This lesson...



- 1. Careers
- 2. Mocks & Drop Downs
- 3. Why mocks matter
- 4. Exams Rules to Remember
- 5. Planning your time & revision timetables
- 6. How do I revise?
- 7. Dealing with exam stress
- 8. How to make it stick

# ADVICE

- You are all entitled to a 1-1 careers session
- These are being booked in across the year
- · Lots of appointments are being missed
- Discuss options after school



















**Apprenticeships** 







# ADVICE Colleges are offering their places now

Most of the 6th form will offer their places after Feb half term. That's two weeks away!!!



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#### **Mocks & Drop Downs**



- 1. Mock exams will be held between WC 06.02 & WC 13.02
- 2. We will only be completing core subject mocks for:
  - 1. English Lit 1 paper
  - 2. Maths 2 papers
  - 3. Science 3 papers 1 of Bio/Chem/Phys

- 3. These core mocks will take place in the morning only with students in normal lessons during P3/4/5. This will prevent the need for disruption to lunch/break times or duties.
- 4. Alongside core mocks we will have three days of option drop downs



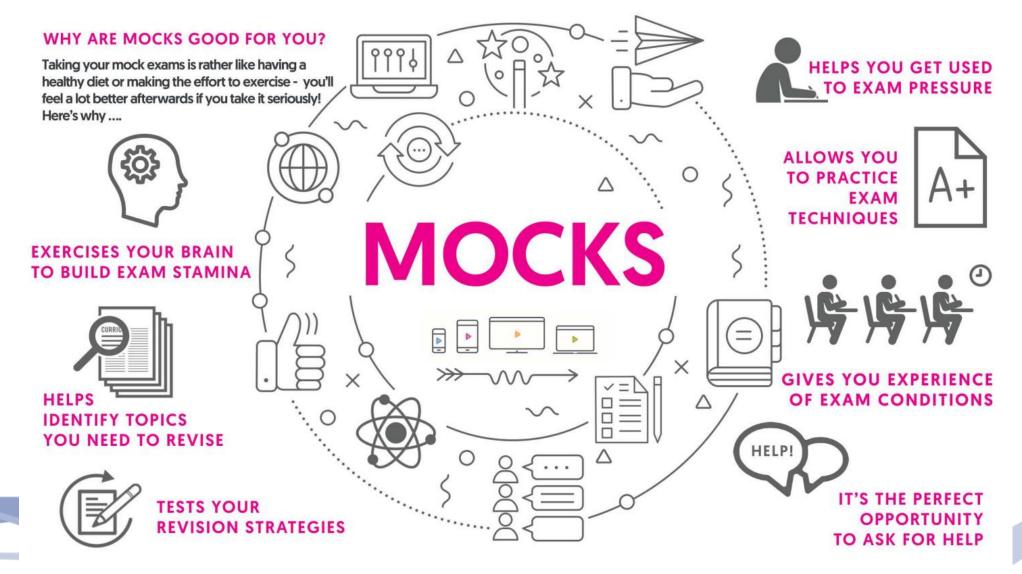


| Monday 6th Feb    | Biology            |
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| Tuesday 7th Feb   | English Lit.       |
| Wednesday 8th Feb | Maths Paper 1      |
| Thursday 9th Feb  | Chemistry          |
| Friday 10th Feb   | Drop Down Option B |

| Monday 13th Feb    | Drop Down Option A |
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| Tuesday 14th Feb   | None               |
| Wednesday 15th Feb | Physics            |
| Thursday 16th Feb  | Maths Paper 2      |
| Friday 17th Feb    | Drop Down Option C |

#### Why mocks matter





#### Exams – Rules to remember



- Equipment Black pen, pencil, rubber, ruler & calculator where allowed
- Exam conduct:
  - Students must not talk in the examination room
  - Mobile phones must be switched off in pupil bags
  - No headphones pupils with head coverings will need to be checked
  - All watches switched off and in bag or given to the invigilator
  - No labels on water bottles
  - Follow all invigilator instructions
  - No doodling on the exam paper



#### **Online Revision**





#### **Remote Learning**

Blue Coat School > Students > Remote Learning

What Online resources are available for me to use? Click on the buttons below to access the resource pages:













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What to do with the information?



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1. RAG rate the specification and pick areas to prioritise

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2. Download/complete past papers and selfassess using the mark schemes - prioritise those areas you struggle on

3. Read the **examiners reports** to find out what others did not do so well that year







#### Planning your time





#### START IN PLENTY OF TIME

Whether you are revising for PPE's, Mocks or Resits; it is important to identify your exam start dates and plan ahead. Planning and long-term thinking will be invaluable during exam periods.



#### PERFECT A REVISION ROUTINE

Find what works best for you! Take the chance to perfect your best revision strategies and learn what works for you.



#### DON'T UNDERESTIMATE

Let's be honest, exam periods can be stressful! But panic and stress will be a much smaller issue if you recognise the importance of all your exams and tackle them head on.



#### SET REALISTIC TARGETS

Your ability and knowledge will change throughout an academic year so make sure your expectations in attainment match this! Talk to teachers and parents to make sure you are all working towards a goal that works best for you!





#### **USE YOUR RESOURCES**

At GCSEPod we have provided some great pods and resources for you to use; your exam periods are about doing the best you possibly can, so use every resource you can!



#### **USE THE OPPORTUNITY**

Exams are not designed to catch you out! They're a great opportunity for you to show off and maximise everything you can do by testing your knowledge.



#### ARRANGE FEEDBACK SESSIONS

Speak to your teachers, friends and parents to track your progression and revision before and after your exams. Speaking and sharing ideas prevents panic!



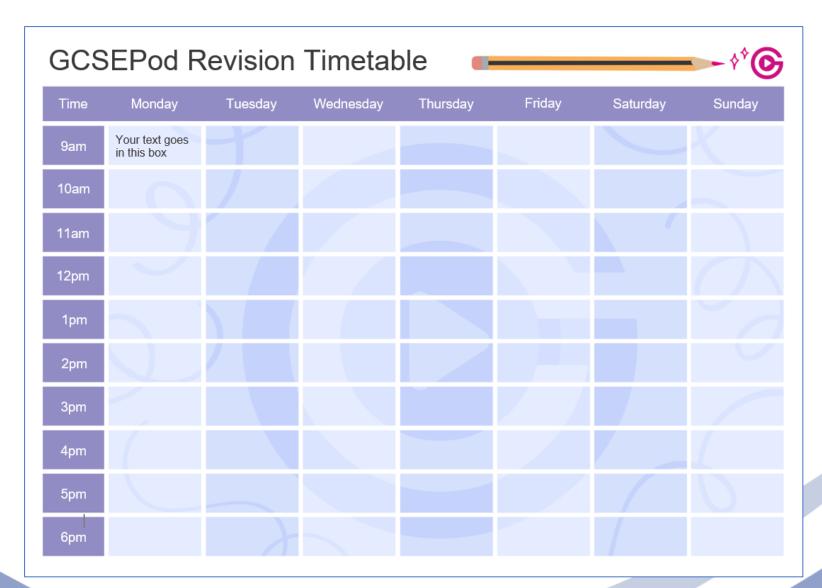
#### DON'T PANIC!

Most Importantly, don't panic!
Use our tips and speak to as many
people as possible to stay up to
date, prepared and motivated!
You CAN do this!





- 1. Plan the topics you need to prioritise
- 2. Stick to short/sharp chunks of revision
- 3. 30-45 minutes at most per time
- 4. Plan rest breaks that are active not watching TV or social media
- 5. Focus on recap, application& assessment



#### **Dealing with Exam Stress**





#### BELIEVE IN YOURSELF

If you work hard and stay focused with positive energy, stress will be reduced. Believe in yourself and have the confidence to succeed.



#### MAKE SLEEP A PRIORITY

Without getting the proper rest it will be even harder to retain information. A good sleep of between 7-9 hours every night helps you have a relaxed and well-rested mind and body.



#### **GET ORGANISED**

You'll feel more confident and in control if you make a list of everything you need to study and create a schedule.



Nervousness is a natural reaction to exams but bottling it up will only make it worse. Talk to your child about how they're feeling, it will help them to relieve any stress and worrying they maybe experiencing.





#### OVERCOME PROBLEMS

If you find you don't understand some of your material, getting stressed out won't help. Instead, take action to address the problem directly by seeing your teacher or revising on GCSEPod.



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#### EAT RIGHT

Ensure you are eating three healthy meals a day and limit their caffeine and sugar intake. Power foods for your brain include blueberries, salmon and nuts!



A healthy body = a healthy mind. Encourage your child to do at least 20 minutes of physical activity a day to help improve their focus and keep them relaxed.



#### KEEP THINGS IN PERSPECTIVE

Exams will seem like the most crucial thing, but in the grander scheme of things it's only a small part. Remind your child of this and tell them, they can only do their best and that's enough!



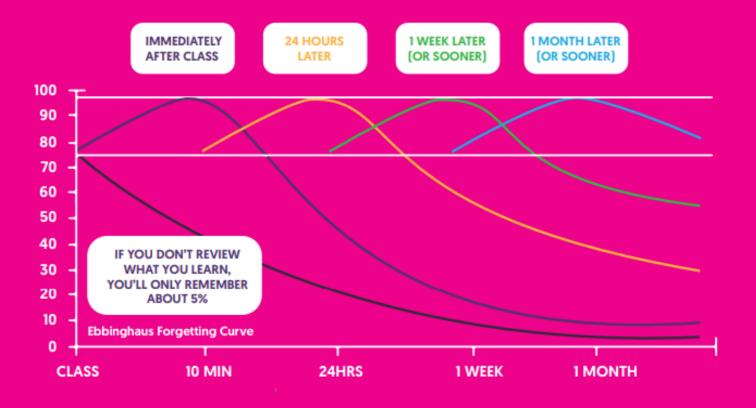
#### How to Make it Stick



# **YOU'LL FORGET THIS IN 24 HOURS!**

Did you know that you forget 80% of what you learn in the first 24 hours?

This is why cramming for exams doesn't work!



It is proven that by reviewing what you've learnt at regular intervals, you can reduce how much you forget to just 10%

Review your work 4 times within a month and you'll remember nearly 100%

#### How to Make it Stick



## **HOW TO REVIEW**

Vary your activities to maximise your memory's power.

**Immediately After Class** 

4 Hours Later

1 Week Later

1 Month Later

Mind Mapping

Watch GCSEPod and write down all the key words. Now from memory, fill in as much information as you can remember. **Review Maps** 

Cover your mind map and see how much you can remember. Highlight the information you couldn't remember and revise it. **Memory Cards** 

With a friend, create your own question cards with answers on the reverse and then test each other's knowledge. Past Papers

Watch GCSEPod again and practice past paper questions.







GCSEPod videos are perfect for reviewing your knowledge. They're short, fun and can be watched anywhere.









# Any questions?





