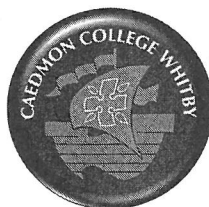


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To parents/carers of Year 11 students

Dear Parent/Carer

The College will be holding Year 11 trial exams on the following dates:

Monday 5 December	a.m. English p.m. Maths	All a.m. exams start at 9.00am and finish at 10.45am
Tuesday 6 December	a.m. English p.m. Maths	
Wednesday 7 December	a.m. History	All p.m. exams start at 1.45pm and finish at 3.15pm
Thursday 8 December	a.m. English p.m. Maths	All exams will take place in the Sports Hall

The Art trial exam will be starting the week beginning Monday 12 December 2016. The Art department will give students further information on specific timings.

The trial examinations are incredibly important because the results will give both students and staff a clearer indication of where a student is in relation to their target grade and will inform the teacher's planning for each particular student for the remainder of Year 11.

Over the next few weeks students should be revising for these examinations. They should already have subject revision guides but, if not, these can be purchased from the College's office or direct from subject areas. This set of trial exams take on a greater significance this year due to the fact that all subjects are now linear courses with external exams being held at the end of the academic year meaning there are no 'second chances'. Students will therefore need to prepare rigorously.

In English, Maths and Science there are over 6 hours of trial exams which will be held in strict exam conditions so students must be encouraged to work hard now. A poor result could mean a student has too much work to do to achieve their target grade. Please note that departments are running revision sessions on the following days:

Mondays and Tuesdays – 3.30pm – 4.30pm	English
Tuesdays – 3.30pm – 4.30pm	Maths
Wednesdays – 3.30pm – 4.30pm	Science.

Please can I ask that all parents/carers encourage revision with their son/daughter and even help them by testing them if appropriate.

I would like to thank parent/carers for their continued support and wish all students good luck in these forthcoming examinations.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mr J Bond'.

Mr J Bond
Assistant Principal

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