

April 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Year 10 Parents' Evening – Thursday 25 April 2024 &
Year 10 Mock Examinations – Tuesday 11 June to Monday 24 June 2024**

I am writing to give you information about two important upcoming events for children in Year 10.

Parents' Evening

The Year 10 parents' evening is due to be held in school on Thursday 25 April 2024 between 4.00pm and 6.00pm. Our online appointment system will open for bookings for this event at 9.00am on Thursday 18 April 2024. Appointments are approximately 5-minutes long and the intention of these will be to give you a brief overview of how your child is progressing in their GCSE subjects. If you wish to have a longer conversation with a member of staff then please make arrangements with them on the evening for this to happen at an alternative time.

Mock Exams

Appleton Academy's Year 10 students will be sitting their first formal mock exams between Tuesday 11 and Monday 24 June 2024. A copy of the timetable can be found below:

Y10 Summer Mock Exam Timetable		
Date	Subject	Start
Tue 11 June 2024	Combined Science: Biology	13:20
Wed 12 June 2024	Maths Paper 1 [Non - Calculator]	08:45
Thu 13 June 2024	English Language	08:45
Thu 13 June 2024	Hospitality & Catering	13:20
Mon 17 June 2024	English Literature	08:45
Mon 17 June 2024	Geography	13:20
Tue 18 June 2024	History	08:45
Wed 19 June 2024	Maths Paper 2 [Calculator]	08:45
Wed 19 June 2024	Spanish Reading & Listening	13:20
Thu 20 June 2024	Combined Science: Chemistry	13:20
Fri 21 June 2024	Combined Science: Physics	08:45
Fri 21 June 2024	Maths Paper 3 [Calculator]	13:20
Mon 24 June 2024	Spanish Writing	08:45

All students will shortly be given a printed copy of their timetable and a copy will also be emailed to them.

Mock exams are an important way for us to understand the progress your child has made throughout Year 10 and plan to support them for their return in Year 11. These are formal examinations that will take place in the auditorium under strict exam conditions with external invigilators. All students are expected to prepare for these mocks in the same way that they would for their final exams and staff will provide revision resources for students in the next few weeks to support them. Students may not sit all the papers they would sit at the end of the two-year course.

All students will attend their normal lessons when they are not sitting an exam. On the days that students have morning exams, they should be in the dining room for 8.50am in readiness for morning examinations to start promptly at 9:00am. For afternoon examinations, students are expected to be seated in the dining room by 1.20pm for a 1.30pm start.

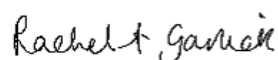
If a student is too unwell to come into school for an examination (parents should endeavour to ensure that students are in school unless they are absolutely unable to attend, or it is an emergency), you should contact school **before** the start of the examination. If there are other reasons preventing a student from taking an examination, you must contact Mr Bellwood or Mrs Bray immediately to discuss the issues.

Mock exam results for each paper (but not overall grades) will be given out in lessons. In September, students will be invited to a GCSE results style assembly to collect their current and predicted grades. Students will be given the opportunity to receive feedback, analyse their results and highlight areas for improvement. Please remember that the results of the mock exams may be used to inform predicted grades that are used for college applications and as such we expect that students treat them seriously.

If you have questions or concerns regarding the forthcoming examinations, please contact the Examinations Officer by calling 01274 600550.

We wish our students every success in their mock exams.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Raehel R Garlick".

Mrs R Garlick
Head of Secondary