



JPB/CMA

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Dear Parents/Carers and Year 10 Students,

Year 10 Mock Examinations – Important Information for Students and Parents

We are writing to inform you about the upcoming Year 10 mock examinations, which will take place shortly.

These exams are a very important milestone in your child's GCSE journey. For many students, this will be the first time they experience being seated in a formal exam hall and working under full examination conditions. As such, these mocks represent the first stage of their preparation and "training" for the real GCSE examinations.

During the mock exams, students will be expected to:

- Follow all formal exam regulations and instructions
- Sit in silence and work independently
- Remain in the exam room for the full duration of each paper
- Arrive promptly with the correct equipment

We understand that this is a new experience, and staff will provide clear guidance and support to help students become familiar with expectations. The aim is not only to assess knowledge and understanding but also to build confidence, resilience, and good examination habits.

Over the next 12 months, students will continue to develop these skills. They will have another opportunity to sit mock examinations before their final GCSEs next summer, allowing them to reflect on their performance and further improve their approach.

Parents and carers can support their child by:

- Encouraging regular revision and good study routines
- Ensuring they are well-rested and punctual
- Reinforcing the importance of taking these exams seriously

We would also encourage both students and parents/carers to visit the school website, particularly the *Our Curriculum* section where you will find useful examination guidance. This section is updated each year for Year 11 students and their families as they approach their final GCSEs, and it provides valuable information on exam expectations, preparation, and procedures www.westcraven.co.uk/page/?title=Exam+Information&pid=82

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Timetables and further details will be shared separately.

We are confident that this experience will help students take an important step forward in their preparation for success in their GCSEs. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Bates', written in a cursive style.

Mr J Bates
Principal