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Dear Parents/Carers

Re: English Literature Mock Exam - Wednesday 2nd April 2025

As we come to the end of teaching the content for the English curriculum, in preparation for the summer exams, we are now in a suitable position for our Year 11 students to sit an English Literature Paper 2 style mock exam. This paper is 2 hours 15 minutes in length, making this the longest GCSE exam of the summer series. We feel it is imperative that our students not only experience the length of the paper in exam conditions but also the content, to ensure that they are as prepared as possible.

Due to the content of this paper, we were not ready to have our students sit this in the recent February mock series, and therefore we have organised an additional mock exam to be completed in the morning of **Wednesday 2nd April**. Students will be expected to follow all exam rules and expectations, just as they have practiced previously, with them being ready and in the main hall for 8:30am, with an exam start of 8:45am. Once the exam has been completed, students will have their break time in the Restaurant, supervised by their period 3 teachers before heading back to class.

In order to prepare for this mock exam, students will need to be preparing and revising the following areas:

Section A: 19th Century Text – *either 'Jekyll and Hyde' OR 'A Christmas Carol' based on what they have been taught in class.*

Section B: Power and Conflict poetry – this section is a comparison of two poems from the AQA Power and Conflict anthology that they have studied. One poem will be named but they will have to compare with a second poem.

Section C: Unseen poetry – students will be asked to write an essay analysing an unseen poem, focusing in on ideas and analysis of methods. There will also be an additional 8 mark question which will ask students to compare the methods of two unseen poems.

This is a great opportunity for students to get some final English Literature feedback before the summer exams and hone their revision skills further.

Many thanks in advance for your support with this. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any further questions.

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