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Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Year 10 End of Year Exams

As we approach the start of our End of Year exam period, there is certainly a mixture of excitement and apprehension in the air within the year group. Following the End of Year exams, we will conduct a post-mock analysis with students, so that they can determine how they would refine their approach to their next mock exam series. With students reflecting on their next step – whether that be A-Level courses, college, or our Oxbridge pathway – it is all starting to feel more real.

These end of year exams are designed to be as much like the main GCSE exams as possible to give the students practice for the real thing. The rules pertaining to Exams are set by the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ) and are on display outside the exam hall.

On Thursday 13th June, all students were informed as to the regulations regarding their preparation and presence in the exam hall. We will be enforcing these regulations throughout the exam sitting. For your information, I have attached the information displayed and explained to students. I wish to pay particular attention to the ruling of, should students need to use the toilet during an examination, they will be accompanied by invigilators and asked to hand their blazer over. All students will of course be encouraged to use the toilets before an examination begins.

Respectful behaviour

We have no reason to expect that any students will exhibit anything less than respectful behaviour; indeed, if they were to behave poorly during the actual GCSE exams they could be removed and be disqualified from that exam. That same student could also be disqualified from all other exams by the same exam board. It must also be stressed failing to conform to exam regulations also disturbs other students sitting the exam which, I am sure you would agree, is not fair on them.

I know that you will support us and your child, by ensuring that they are fully informed and prepared for these core exams

Yours sincerely

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