

# YEAR 11 NEWSLETTER

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## Wellbeing Corner

### **Spring Forward with Resilience, Year 11!**

Days are getting longer, exams are approaching, and it's the perfect time to cultivate resilience! Challenges are inevitable, but you've got the strength to bounce back.

Here's your toolkit:

#### **Celebrate small wins**

Acknowledge your progress, big or small. Every step counts!



#### **Embrace healthy**

**habits:** Fuel your mind and body with nutritious food, good sleep, and regular exercise.

#### **Connect with your support**

**system:** Lean on friends, family, and teachers. Sharing can lighten the load.



**Practice mindfulness:** Take a few minutes each day to de-stress, breathe deeply, and find your inner calm.

Remember, resilience is a muscle that gets stronger with each challenge. Keep pushing forward, Year 11, and you'll conquer anything!

## Welcome Note

High five, Year 11! You tackled February mocks with true grit. Now, let's use that momentum to smash the rest of the year! Keep your eyes on the prize - you've got this!

## Key Dates

13 <sup>th</sup> March	Enrichment block 3
15 <sup>th</sup> March	Mock Results Assembly
27 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 11 key student parents event
9 <sup>th</sup> May – 19 <sup>th</sup> June	GCSE Examinations
13 <sup>th</sup> May	GCSE English Literature P1
16 <sup>th</sup> May	GCSE Maths P1

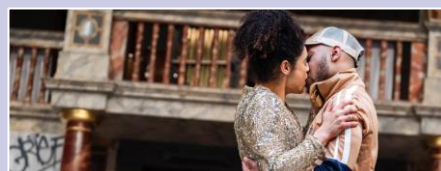


## Enrichment Day 2 – Romeo and Juliet

Calling all culture vultures! Year 11's recent enrichment trip to Shakespeare's Globe in London was a whirlwind of artistic delight! They delved into a modern reimagining of Romeo & Juliet, where a fearless BMX rider took centre stage as fate itself!



The innovative play captivated our Year 11s, and they represented St. Mark's Academy with both pride and lively engagement. This trip was a true testament to their love of learning and adventurous spirit!



## Sixth Form Choices: Your Future Awaits, Year 11!

**Big decisions ahead?** If you haven't started already. Now is time to start thinking about sixth form! Whether you're considering staying at St. Mark's Academy or exploring other options, here's a kick-start to your journey:

- Explore your options:** Research different sixth forms and their course offerings. Attend open evenings and talk to current students to get a feel for the environment.
- Match your interests:** Reflect on your academic strengths and career aspirations. Choose a combination of subjects you enjoy and that aligns with your future goals.
- Consider St. Mark's:** Don't forget to explore the fantastic sixth form options available right here at St. Mark's! Our dedicated staff and diverse course selection can help you excel.
- Seek guidance:** Talk to your teachers, careers advisor, and parents. Their insights can be invaluable in guiding your decision-making.





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## Year 11 Mock superstars

Buckle up for a record-breaking year! Our Year 11's are on track to be the school's highest-achieving cohort ever, and their fantastic mock results are a shining testament to their hard work and talent.

### Grade 9

A huge round of applause for our incredible Year 11 students who aced their recent mocks! Below, we celebrate those who achieved the top mark of a **grade 9**:

Ryan G	Pranay P	Lydia M
O'Livia J	Antonio P	Mihail V
Joanna M	Lemar R	Steven W

### Progress exceeding personal targets

Breaking boundaries! These Year 11 superstars not only rose to the challenge but soared above expectations! Here's a shoutout to the students who exceeded their previously set targets.



Albert M	Jordan I	Arta C
Eli A	Rosie J	Gabriele C
William J	Nashit S	Christian D
Giovani O	Joanna M	Antonio P
Suellen R	Emmanuel B	Sharae M-Y
Marina K	Lydia M	Raul R
Mihail V	Mysia H	Maja T
Steven W	O'Livia J	Efe S

## Year 11 Study Lunch – IT4

**IT4 will be available daily during Lunch:**

- quiet independent study
- first come first served

## Progress 8 over 1

Smashing national averages! These Year 11 all-stars achieved an impressive feat – on average, their mock results were a full grade higher than the national average for similar students! Let's celebrate their exceptional performance:

Gabriele C	Rosie J	Sharae M-Y	Brihanna M	Koray Y
Louis G	Cashlina O	Pranay P	Venusan V	Fathima A
Kamile S	Emmanuel B	Michael MT	Amarnie PL	
Joanna M	Evelina P	Xiaoying F	Jayden W	
Christopher W	Mysia H	Gwen S	Karlie G	



### Black Jumpers

A round of applause for our newest Black Jumper recipients – these dedicated students boast 100% attendance, zero negatives, and impressive progress in their recent mocks!

Chichi E	Eunice A	Brihanna M
Raheem T	Antonio P	Raul R
Emmanuel B	Taelan F	Mysia H
Lambert J	Christian D	Kamile S
Leonardo P	Kaelan F	
Halton F	Filip Z	



### Black Jumper Special shout outs

These students smashed the black jumper requirements and also achieved a **remarkable +1 progress** across the board!

Brihanna M  
Kamile S  
Mysia H

## Power and Conflict Poetry Lunchtimes

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March

**'Storm on the Island'**  
Seamus Heaney

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

**'Kamikaze'**  
Beatrice Garland

Miss Khan will be offering poetry catch up's during lunch time. Bring your anthology and come to EN2 at the start of lunch.