

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

13th March Enrichment block 3 15th March Mock Results Assembly

27th March Year 11 key student parents event

9th May – 19th June GCSE Examinations

13th May GCSE English Literature P1

16th 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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Languages Revision Tips and Guidance

Conquering vocabulary lists got you feeling overwhelmed? Fear not, here's a secret weapon straight from your language teachers' arsenals:

¿Cómo es de carácter? Como persona, es... omo persona, es...
optimista / pesimista
simpático/a / antipático/a
trabajador(a) / perezoso/a
generoso/a / tacaño/a
hablador(a) / callado/a
divertido/a / gracioso/a / serio/a fiel / infiel ordenado/a / caótico/a

As a person, he/she is. optimistic / pessimistic nice / nasty hard-working / lazy generous / mean chatty / quiet fun / funny / serious loyal / disloyal tidy / chaotic

- •Ditch the list stare: Active engagement = memory boost! Highlighting helps info stick become a vocab whiz!
- •Think like an examiner: Which words are KEY for understanding the language? Highlight those!
- •Beware the "false friends": Circle words similar to English, but with different meanings.

Make links with similar words



Remember APPs can help!!











BBC Bitesize **GSCEPod**

Year 11 Art Soars!

Get ready to be amazed! Our talented Year 11 Art students have been pushing boundaries and exploring their creativity throughout their GCSE coursework. From painting to pastels their work showcases a stunning range of styles and artistic voices. (See pictures!)



These dedicated young artists have poured their hearts and imagination into their projects, and the results are truly impressive. We can't wait to see what they achieve next! Stay tuned for an upcoming exhibition where you can witness their artistic journeys first-hand.















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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

Year 11 Study Lunch - 1T4

IT4 will be available daily during Lunch:quiet independent studyjirst come jirst served

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

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
Louis G	Cashlina O
Kamile S	Emmanuel B
Joanna M	Evelina P
Christopher W	Mysia H

Sharae M-Y	Brihanna M
Pranay P	Venusan V
Michael MT	Amarnie PL
Xiaoying F	Jayden W
Gwen S	Karlie G

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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
Raheem T	Antonio P
Emmanuel B	Taelan F
Lambert J	Christian D
Leonardo P	Kaelan F
Halton F	Filip Z

Brihanna M
Raul R
Mysia H
Kamile S



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 21st March	Friday 22nd March
'Storm on the Island' Seamus Heaney	'Kamikaze' Beatrice Garland

Miss Khan will be, offering poetry eatch up's during unter times.
Bring your authology and come to EN2 at the start of lunch.