

16<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

As the Christmas break approaches, I would like to thank you for your ongoing support to ensure that your children are continuing to demonstrate their dedication in preparation for their upcoming GCSE exams.

It was also a pleasure to see so many of you at Y11 Parent's Evening to discuss your child's progress and their areas of development. You should have now received both your child's mock exam results and Y11 report including predicted grades via the MCAS App. Please talk through these reports which your child, especially their current grades and predictions in English and Maths.

It is important that over the upcoming break your child takes a break, but also continues to revise regularly as there is a number of upcoming exams taking place when they return from the holiday the details of which are outlined below.

**January BTEC Exams:**

If your child takes either BTEC Business Studies or BTEC IT, they have an external formal exam in January.

- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January - 8:30am: BTEC Business Studies Exam (1hr 30mins)
- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January - 8:30am: BTEC IT Exam (1hr 30mins)

Please note that these are real exams that count towards your child's final grade and cannot be rescheduled. They must attend these exams on time.

**English Language Paper 2 Exam:**

Due to underperformance in the November Mock exams, we are moving our English Language Exam forward to Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January at 8:45am so that students have early practice of the timings of this paper.

You will receive a letter this week from the Head of English, Miss Poulton about the best way your child can prepare for this exam.

**January U Grade Retake Exams:**

If your child achieved a U grade in one or more of their mock exam papers in their November Mock Exams, they will be expected to resit their paper in our January U Grade Retake Exam Series. These exams will take place from:

- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January

You and your child will receive an individual timetable via MCAS for these exams this week. Your child has already received revision resources to support them to prepare for these exams so please ensure that they are actively revising for these over the break.

### **February Mock Exams:**

Your child's final round of mock exams will take place in a three-week period in February and March and will be key in preparing your child for their summer exams. Attached to this letter is a copy of the mock exam schedule which will include speaking exams in Spanish and French.

- Week Beginning - Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January: **French/Spanish Speaking Mocks**
- Week Beginning - Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February: **Mock Exams – Week 1**
- Week Beginning - Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February: **Mock Exams – Week 2**
  
- HALF TERM: **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February (Revision Sessions Running)**
  
- Week Beginning - Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February: **Mock Exams – Week 3**

This is a very intense mock exam series, so it is essential that your child is preparing for these exams from now.

### **Revision Support**

Students have been given a weekly revision planner which they can timetable their revision leading up to these mocks. You can find a copy of the revision planner here:

[5B53B0B73644AFBFF7C9DDE21FB6739C.pdf](#)

Students also received a revision guide in every subject at the end of Year 10 which they should be using to support their revision. If your child is missing any of these guides, please contact Ms Khan [jkhan@stmarks.anthemtrust.uk](mailto:jkhan@stmarks.anthemtrust.uk) so that these can be replaced.

If you require any additional support regarding your child engagement with revision or their wellbeing regarding the challenges of this academic year, please do not hesitate to contact Progress Leader Mr Alabi [talabi@stmarks.anthemtrust.uk](mailto:talabi@stmarks.anthemtrust.uk)

With Love, Hope and Trust

Miss Khan  
Senior Vice Principal (Quality of Education)

## Year 11 February Mock Exam Timetable 2026

### Early Exams:

- **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January** - English Language Paper 2:
- **Week Beginning: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January** - French/Spanish Speaking Exams in Individual Timeslots

Year 11 Exam Timetable – Week 1					
Session	Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Feb
<b>AM:</b> Starts 08:45	English Language Paper 1 1hr 45min	Maths Paper 1 Non-Calculator 1hr 30min	Biology: Triple Paper 1 1hr 45min Biology: Combined Paper 1 1hr 15min	English Literature Paper 1 1hr 45min	Chemistry: Triple Paper 1 1hr 45min Chemistry: Combined Paper 1 1hr 15min
<b>Break</b>					
<b>MID:</b> 11:00					
<b>Lunch</b>					
<b>PM:</b> Starts 13:30	French/Spanish Reading Foundation 45min Higher 1hr	Home Languages: Reading Foundation 45min Higher 1hr Citizenship Paper 1 1hr 45min	History Paper 1 1hr 20min iGCSE English Reading 1hr	Computer Science Paper 1 1hr 30min Psychology Paper 1 1hr 30min PE Paper 1 1hr 15min	Geography Paper 1 1hr 30min

Year 11 Exam Timetable – Week 2					
Session	Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb
<b>AM:</b> Starts 08:45	Maths Paper 2 Calculator 1hr 30min	Physics: Triple Paper 1 1hr 45min Physics: Combined Paper 1 1hr 15min	RE Paper 1 1hr 45min	Biology: Triple Paper 2 1hr 45min Biology: Combined Paper 2 1hr 15min	Maths Paper 3 Calculator 1hr 30mins
<b>Break</b>					
<b>MID:</b> 11:00					
<b>Lunch</b>					
<b>PM:</b> Starts 13:30	French/Spanish Writing Foundation 1hr 15min Higher 1hr 20min	History Paper 3 1hr 30min Geography Paper 2 1hr 30min	Psychology Paper 2 1hr 30min PE Paper 2 1hr 15min	Computer Science Paper 2 1hr 30min Citizenship Paper 2 1hr 45min	History Paper 2 (Elizabeth) 45min iGCSE English Writing 1hr 15min

Half Term: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February

Year 11 Exam Timetable – Week 3					
Session	Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	Tues 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb
<b>AM:</b> Starts 08:45	Chemistry: Triple Paper 2 1hr 45min Chemistry: Combined Paper 2 1hr 15min	Physics: Triple Paper 2 1hr 45mins Physics: Combined Paper 2 1hr 15mins	BTEC Music Exam Textiles Exam Day 1 All Day	Textiles Exam Day 2 Art Exam Day 1 All Day	Art Exam Day 2 All Day
<b>Break</b>					
<b>MID:</b> Starts 11:00					
<b>Lunch</b>					
<b>PM:</b>	RE Paper 2 55min	Home Languages: Writing	BTEC Music Exam Textiles Exam Day 1	Textiles Exam Day 2 Art Exam Day 1	Art Exam Day 2 All Day

Starts 13:30		Foundation 1hr 15min Higher 1hr 20min	All Day	All Day	
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