

28 January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

**RE: Year 10 Mid-term Assessments**

After the February half term students will be sitting their second set of assessments for the academic year. I write to you today to let you know that these will be run slightly differently for the core subjects of English, Maths and Science.

To begin to prepare students for their first set of mock exams (planned to happen in June once the Year 11 exams have finished) students will sit the assessments for these subjects in the theatre and sports hall rather than in their class. This will allow students to get used to taking assessments in a larger venue in just a small number of subjects before then having a set of mock exams in every subject. The time in the hall will also be reduced to further support students adapting to this environment.

The assessments will as always be focused on the work that students have covered over the past 3 terms and students will continue to be supported in lessons and through homework to prepare for these, just as they have done previously. There will also be assemblies and work in tutor time preparing the students for how to enter the venue, how to know where to sit and the expectations of the assessment whilst in there.

This is a great opportunity for students to experience taking assessments in a larger venue without the worry of having to do it for every subject. We hope it will build the students confidence when the time comes to sit all exams in a larger venue.

Yours Sincerely



James Miles  
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