# QUEEN ELIZABETH'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

# Year 12 January Mock Exams 2025

Well done to our Year 12 students who have made a fantastic start to the new academic year, we have been impressed with their positivity and focus.

We have planned a series of mock exams in January to enable our students to gain experience and to increase their confidence with the required structure, revision and timings of A-Level examinations. These mocks will take place between **20**th **to 24**h **January 2025** and will be for the A-Level students only (as the BTEC students will be sitting their exams for this term).

#### **Exam Timetable**

I have attached a copy of the Year 12 mock timetable for your information. The students have also received a copy of this to help them to plan, revise and prepare over the next few weeks.

When reading the timetable, please note the following:

In the exam week for their year group there will be no form time for Year 12 students.

- All Year 12 mock exams will take place at the **Sixth Form Common Room** unless stated otherwise. Students should check the timetable to ensure they know where their exam is taking place.
- The timings of the day during this period may be slightly different to the usual timings. Students should make a note of these to avoid being late or missing any exams.
- Some students have clashes that we are aware of and have tried to resolve. However, students should
  double check their subjects and if they spot a problem, to email Mrs Cheryl Elliott directly asap via:
  elliottc@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk
- **NB**: some exams rescheduled due to clashes take place prior, and some after, the examination date.
- Those students relying on public transport will be able to stay in Sixth Form to study in the Common Room
  or Private Study area, however, please let us know that this will be the case so that we can keep track of
  who is in the building.

#### **Study Leave Arrangements**

Study leave for Year 12 will be from **20**<sup>th</sup> **to 24**<sup>h</sup> **January 2025** (meaning that during that week they only need to come in on the days/times when they have an exam). Students studying a double or single BTEC, should confirm the study leave arrangements with their BTEC subject teachers

Alternative arrangements for students studying triple BTEC are as follows:

They will be required to be in lessons as normal, unless they have an exam, in which case they may take study leave for the half day preceding the exam:

- The afternoon of the day before a morning exam
- The morning of an afternoon exam

All study leave is a provisional offer and will be at the discretion of teachers e.g. they may ask students to stay in if they think working under supervision would be beneficial. Parents/carers must give permission for students to remain at home for study leave.

Please click on the link below to give permission for your child to be absent on study leave over the Year 12 exam period. If permission is not recorded students will be expected to be in school throughout the week and non-attendance will be followed up.

### https://forms.office.com/e/y3x8PwW9fH

The normal timetable for Year 12 will resume on **Monday 27**th **January 2025**, including form time.

# **Examination Rules**

We will be applying the rules that apply for external exams, so students need to be aware of these and ensure they follow them:

- No mobile phones, iPods, MP3s, MP4s or Smartwatches are to be taken into any examination. All wrist wear, including watches, bracelets etc. should be removed and placed on the desk in clear view.
- No food, sweets or chewing gum allowed in any examination. Students may bring a drink (water only) in a clear plastic bottle with a screw top and label removed.
- Students must bring appropriate equipment with them to all examinations. This includes pens, pencils, eraser, ruler and calculator (if allowed). Please note students do need to bring their own calculator as we do not have any available to be handed out.
- Equipment should be in a clear pencil case or a clear plastic bag.
- Students should follow instructions from staff on where to line up, ready to go into the designated room and find their allocated seat.
- Students are not permitted to communicate with each other whilst in the examination room during examination times.

We would like to encourage all students to spend a proportion of their half term revising so they are as prepared as they can be.

There are a number of ways they can help themselves with this:

- Create a structured revision timetable
- Balance work time with relaxation time
- Use some of the techniques discussed in their Study Skills lessons
- Complete practice/past exam papers

We have been discussing all of these tips with students during form time over the past few weeks.

If you have any queries about any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact your son/daughter's form tutor for additional information.

Yours faithfully

Mr Walker

Assistant Headteacher - Head of Sixth Form

# January 2025 Exams Year 12 – Sixth Form Common Room

YEAR 12	0900 - 12.00	12.00 -12.40	12.40 - 15.20
Week B	Maths P1 1h30 Core Maths P1 1h30 Politics P1 1h30	Break	History P1 1h30 Further Maths P1 1h30 Further Maths AS P1 1h30
Monday	Clash: E Sharpe Politics		Sociology 1h30
20 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Sitting Clash: A Chambers History P1		1 Clash A Chambers History P1
			Sitting Clash: E Sharpe Politics P1 1h30
	Geography 1h30		Economics P1 1h
Tuesday 21st	English Literature 1h40		Computer science 1h30
January 2025	Music 1h30 / RS 3hr Spanish listening 1h30	Break	Sitting Clash F Maths: Hyde
	Further Maths A level P2 2h Clash F Maths: Hyde		Sitting Clash Fiviatins. Hyde
	Economics P2 1h		Further Maths P3 1h30
	Chemistry P1 45 mins		Psychology 2h
Wednesday	English Language 2h30	Break	PE 2h
22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2025	Clash: H Stockwell, H Nye Economic		Politics P2 1h30
			Sitting Clash Physics: Cresswell, Dring, Wigfall
			Sitting Clash Business: Harrison
			Sitting Clash: H Nye Economics
	Maths P2 1h30		Biology 1h30
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Thursday	Clash: 1 B Murby History P2	Break	Business P1 1h
23rd January 2025	Sitting Clash: H Stockwell Economics P2 1h		Clash Physics: Cresswell, Dring, Wigfall
	Sitting Clash Chemistry P2: Wigfall		Clash Business: Harrison
	Business P2 1h		Sitting Clash: B Murby History P2 1h30
Friday	Chemistry P2 45 mins		
24 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Spanish Writing1h30	Break	
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