

Dear Parents

I writing to inform you that Y10 students will be taking mock exams in the week commencing April 27th and I have attached the timetable for your information.

These exams are an excellent opportunity for your child to experience what it will be like in their GCSEs in a year's time. The exams are taken in the sports hall under full exam conditions. During this time we expect students to behave as they would do in a GCSE exam. This will mean they ensure their mobile phones are switched off and in their bags, not talking or disturbing any other student in the exam. Behaviour in the exam hall is taken very seriously, as in a proper GCSE students run the risk of their paper being cancelled if they break the rules set out by the exam boards. Students will also need to ensure that they are equipped for their exams with black pens.

The mock exams also give students and staff a chance to see how they are currently performing in their studies and from this we will be able to support and guide students in what they need to do to ensure that they achieve their targets.

In order to prepare for these exams students should be revising. I have attached some information about revision websites that are available through the school portal to help students. In lessons leading up to the exams, teachers will be going through revision with your child to support them.

These exams signify another huge step forward towards Y11 and the main exams in May/June 2016. Please spend time discussing the importance of them with your child. If you have any questions about the exams please contact a member of the Y10 team at school.

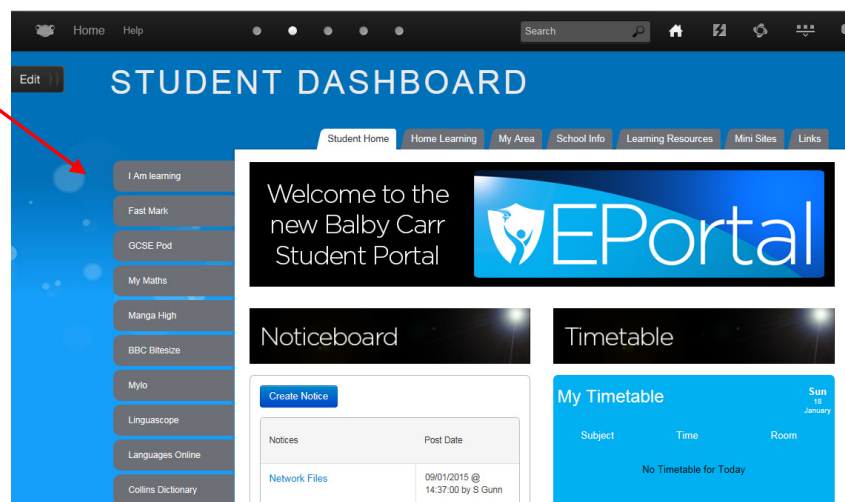
Your sincerely

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Revision Websites

Students can access revision websites from the main school portal, Students login to this from the school website using the same login they use to access the computers at school. Using these links automatically log the students into the websites where necessary



Excellent website that allows students to watch and download podcasts and videos. There are also practice questions for students to have a go at. When the students are on the website they can also download the GCSEPOD app onto a smartphone. The link from the portal automatically logs students in



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Students revise on this website by playing interactive games that are loaded with practice questions. This allows students to build up their key knowledge of subjects. The link from the portal automatically logs students in.



The BBC revision site is another excellent website. It combines revision material and videos and practice questions. No login required



Good revision site for the practice of maths. The username is balby and the password is prime