

March 2026

Dear Year 11 families,

### **Final GCSE Spanish Speaking Examinations**

I am writing to confirm that the Year 11 GCSE Spanish speaking exam, which is worth 25% of their grade, will take place during **the week commencing 20 April 2026**. For students sitting an additional language, this will take place on the 29 April 2026.

Students have had two mock examinations, therefore should be fully prepared for how it will take place. All students will receive their personal time slot for the exam week before the Easter holiday, so please check this with them. There will also be a speaking revision session during the holiday for students wishing to practice further.

As the general conversation section is about certain topics, students have some control of their grade, depending on the quality of work and resilience that goes into their final preparations over the coming weeks. The majority of students have completed their speaking preparation purple books and can spend a month revising and improving their answers. There are some students who, unfortunately, have not been as diligent completing and handing books in to be marked, and so they will now need to independently complete their own answers to revise from. We ask that you support them in their revision by ensuring they have a quiet place to study and practice aloud.

As this is a timetabled GCSE exam, attendance is compulsory and you will need to ensure that any appointments outside of school on this date will need to be rescheduled. Failure to attend their GCSE speaking exam may result in a U grade for that component. If an exam needs to be caught up in the subsequent week, but no legitimate reason has been given why it was missed, i.e. a medical emergency, families may incur an examination charge.

If you have any concerns, or would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Thank you in advance for your support, and best of luck to your child.

Yours faithfully



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