

December 2025

Dear families,

Year 11 Intervention

I am writing to inform you of a temporary change to how we are using advisory time for Year 11 as well as time at the end of the academy day.

We acknowledge that there has been a lot of recent pressure on Year 11 students, with the build up to and the completion of the Mock 1 examinations. We are very proud of how well they all conducted themselves through the examination period and of the resilience they showed both in their attendance and in the effort they put into each and every exam.

With this in mind we believe that it is right at this point to relieve some of the pressure that Year 11 are under in order to recover and reset themselves from their recent intense period of work. We hope that reducing the pressure on Year 11 is what is needed in order to return in January ready for the next round of mock examinations.

The following changes will take effect **from Monday 8 December 2025:**

- Advisory time intervention sessions will revert to classrooms (apart from Friday when there will be a whole year group assembly). Sessions will be structured, purposeful and focused, with work provided by the English and Maths departments. It will not be used as social time and advisors will be supervising.
- After school interventions will pause – apart from Triple Science and Further Maths, which will continue to run after school

Students have been informed of these changes in an assembly. When we return to the academy for Term 4 on Monday 5 January 2026, **interventions will restart** at both advisory time and after school, with new groups created to reflect Mock 1 data.

Term 3 (January – February) is just six weeks in length, ending on Thursday 12 February 2026. The Mock 2 examinations commence in the first school week of Term 4, starting on Monday 23 February 2026 and lasting for two weeks. Once these Mock 2 examinations are completed, there are just three more weeks until the Easter Holiday – meaning that the commencement of the final GCSE examinations is drawing incredibly close.

We hope that you understand the purpose behind this short adjustment, and that you will support us in the next big effort with Year 11 and their preparation for Mocks 2 after Christmas.

We look forward to seeing you on Thursday 11 December for our Year 11 Mock 1 Results and Parents Evening between 16.00 – 18.30. Please ensure you have booked appointments with your child's subject teachers on the My Child At School app to discuss their Mock 1 results.

Yours faithfully,



Kat Lang
Principal

