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Dear Parent/Carer

As part of your son's/daughter's preparation for their summer 2018 GCSEs, it is important that they practise effective examination techniques and experience mocks under examination conditions.

As you are aware, the first round of mock examinations ran in November 2017. Further to this, Students are continually assessed within all subjects in which they are studying. As part of this cycle of revision and support, we have scheduled a "Walking Talking Mock" examination for **week beginning 29th January 2018 and 5th February 2018**. The walking talking mock is a strategy which is embedded by PiXL to aid rapid knowledge and understanding.

As part of the "Walking Talking Mock" process, this week, the teacher and students go through each question on a past paper ensuring that all students have the knowledge, skills and understanding in which to answer all questions. During the mock window, week **beginning 29th January 2018 and 5th February 2018**. Students will be asked to complete a past paper that is similar to the one in which they have studied in lesson.

The school day will run as normal, with students taking the examination during normal lesson time.

The full schedule of examinations is displayed at the bottom of this letter and has been shared with students. Please can you support your son/daughter in ensuring that they fully prepare for these important examinations by revising thoroughly.

In addition to this, we have provided your son/daughter with an organiser that contains key materials to support them with their studies. The folder includes stationary, past papers and mark schemes for English, Maths, Science and RE, an allocated mentor who will meet with your son/daughter to discuss progress on a weekly basis and a revision timetable to support their preparation for the exams.

Lastly, if your son/daughter is on the Geography trip (31st January – 2nd February), students will take the Geography mock paper whilst on the field trip to ensure no further disruption to lessons on their return.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Ms S Darr
Headteacher

Mr N Oxford
Assistant Headteacher

| Day | AM | PM |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Monday 29 th January | Science | IT / RE |
| Tuesday 30 th January | Science | - |
| Wednesday 31 st January | - | Option A |
| Tuesday 6 th February | Maths /English | Option C |
| Wednesday 7 th February | English / Maths | RE / IT |
| Thursday 8 th February | Maths / English | |
| Friday 9 th February | English / Maths | Option B |