



The Astley Cooper School

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Dear Parent / Carer,

Re: Year 11 Science Mock Examinations

I am writing to inform you that there are upcoming Science Paper 1 mock examinations for Year 11 students that will take place on the following dates:

- Biology Paper 1 - **Thursday 7th March** During AM Registration & Period 1
- Chemistry Paper 1 - **Monday 11th March** During Period 5
- Physics Paper 1 - **Thursday 14th March** During Period 5

On the days that students are completing the paper during Period 5, to ensure there is ample time to finish the paper, we will be finishing at approximately 3:30pm. If you foresee any problems with this, please contact me directly, otherwise we will assume your child is remaining in class until the end of the mock exam.

We are doing all we can to prepare your child for these Science mock examinations and it is important that they take the examinations seriously. We will use mock examination data to assess potential gaps in students' learning, which will help inform us where interventions are needed. Currently, teachers are finishing content. There are intervention classes running after school for Science on a Thursday, all are welcome. On each classes Google Classroom is also advice on what to revise in the coming weeks and suggested resources. We recommend that at home, students should spend at least one hour on a range of different revision resources; which may include BBC BiteSize, Google Classroom, Seneca homework, interventions, as well as their class notes and workbooks to enhance their learning. It is important that students are well prepared for these examinations and have fully revised.

On this day, students must be punctual and be in full school uniform with all appropriate equipment including a see-through pencil case with black pens and a Scientific Calculator. All personal possessions, which includes mobile phones and smartwatches must be switched off. In line with our guidelines, students are not allowed to leave the exam room before the finish time of the examination. When students are not in mock examinations, they are expected to attend their normal lessons. If there are any questions, please feel free to contact the following staff:

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Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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