FOXFORD
Community School

12 June 2026

Dear Parents/Carer

Year 10 Mock Examinations

As we approach the Year 10 mock examination period, we would like to emphasise how important this stage is for your child's academic development. These exams are not simply a rehearsal for Year 11; they act as a vital checkpoint. They help us understand each student's strengths, identify areas for improvement, and allow us to put tailored support in place well before GCSE examinations begin in earnest.

Mock examinations also give students valuable experience of working under exam conditions, managing revision effectively, and building confidence. The habits they develop now — consistent study, organisation and resilience — will have a significant impact on their final outcomes next year.

All Year 10 students have attended an assembly explaining the mock exam process and our expectations. We will also be monitoring attendance and punctuality very closely during this period. As an added incentive, from Monday 15 June, any student who achieves 100% attendance over the following four weeks will be rewarded, and all students meeting this target will be entered into a prize draw to win one of two **£25 Amazon vouchers**.

We ask for your support in encouraging your child to revise regularly at home, maintain excellent attendance, and ensure they are fully prepared for each exam day.

Key Information for Parents/Carers

- Start time: Morning exams- students must be in school and at the sports hall by 8:45am at the latest.
- Afternoon exams: These begin at 1:10pm.
- Punctuality: Students who are late and miss the start of an exam may not be allowed to enter and could be sent home until the next session.
- Absence: If a student is absent, they will still be expected to sit the exam at a later date during designated catch-up sessions.

- Early finishes: Some afternoon exams may finish before the end of the school day; further details will follow where applicable.
- Behaviour: Students are expected to follow strict exam conditions at all times. Any disruption may result in parents being contacted and exams being resat after school.

Exam Preparation Expectations

- Students must revise — teachers will guide them on key topics to focus on.
- All mobile phones, watches and headphones must be handed in before the exam.
- Students may only bring a clear pencil case with appropriate equipment (black ink only).
- Where needed, subject-specific equipment will be provided.
- Only a small, clear, unlabelled water bottle is permitted in the exam room.

These mock exams are extremely important. They provide the grades used for college, sixth form and apprenticeship applications, and help staff plan interventions and support for Year 11. Most importantly, they help students identify the areas they need to focus on moving forward.
From our experience, students who fully commit to this process are far better prepared and more confident as they progress into their final GCSE year.

Please find the full mock exam timetable below:

Week Commencing Monday 22 June 2026

Date	Subject	Start	Finish	Duration
Monday 22 June	English Language	09:00	10:45	105 mins
Monday 22 June	Sport	13:00	14:00	60 mins
Tuesday 23 June	Combined Science Biology (Foundation & Higher)	09:00	10:15	75 mins
Tuesday 23 June	Sociology	13:00	14:45	105 mins
Wednesday 24 June	Maths Non-Calculator (Foundation & Higher)	09:00	10:30	90 mins
Wednesday 24 June	Geography	13:00	14:30	90 mins
Thursday 25 June	Combined Science Chemistry (Foundation & Higher)	09:00	10:15	75 mins
Thursday 25 June	Spanish Writing (Foundation)	13:00	14:10	70 mins
Thursday 25 June	Spanish Writing (Higher)	13:00	14:15	75 mins
Friday 26 June	Training Day			

Week Commencing Monday 29 June 2026

Date	Subject	Start	Finish	Duration
Monday 29 June	Maths Calculator Paper 2 (Foundation & Higher)	09:00	10:30	90 mins
Monday 29 June	History	13:00	14:20	80 mins
Tuesday 30 June	English Literature	09:00	11:15	135 mins
Tuesday 30 June	Computer Science	13:00	14:30	90 mins
Wednesday 1 July	Combined Science Physics (Foundation & Higher)	09:00	10:15	75 mins
Wednesday 1 July	Hospitality & Catering	13:00	14:20	80 mins
Thursday 2 July	Maths Calculator Paper 3	09:00	10:30	90 mins
Thursday 2 July	Business	13:00	14:45	105 mins
Friday 3 July	Art	08:45	12:10	180 mins
Friday 3 July	Art (continued)	13:10	15:15	120 mins

Thank you for your continued support in helping your child approach this important period in a positive and successful way

Yours faithfully



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