

24 October 2024

Dear Parent / Guardian,

## Year 11 Pre-Public Examinations

Students in Year 11 will be sitting their Pre-Public Examinations (PPEs) from Wednesday 6 November 2024.

### Core Subjects

A copy of the core subjects timetable has been released to students on Classcharts, Bromcom and the Year 11 Google Classroom noticeboard (website link [HERE](#)).

### Options Subjects

Examinations for Options Subjects will be hosted the following week within class. Departments will inform you and students directly when these assessments will take place.

These exams are a vital opportunity to demonstrate accumulative knowledge and understanding of topics in preparation for the final GCSEs. It is imperative that students take these exams as seriously as they would their real examinations. Should the school be asked to provide Centre Grades for students, these PPEs will form part of the evidence-based grades awarded to students.

Students will be expected to follow all rules and expectations put in place for the running of examinations. Failure to do so may be seen as committing a malpractice offense. As with the real exam, students must be ready 15 minutes prior to the start of the exam. They must not be visiting lockers or arriving during this window. Seating plans for each day will be released the day before on Google Classroom to aid a calm and ready start.

All students should arrive and attend their exams in full school uniform. They must take responsibility for having their own equipment on their person and having all other belongings put away in their own lockers. No watches or mobile phones can be taken into the exam and should also be placed in their locker or left at home. The school will not take responsibility for items students have not stored away.

All equipment brought in by students should be in a clear, plain pencil case. Should your child need it, they are able to buy a basic equipment set at Student Services for £2.00 – a service they will need to access prior to their exams, and not on the day. We will not be providing spare equipment to students should they not have this themselves. Pupil Premium students have been provided with a pencil case and calculator earlier this term.



## Equipment Requirements

Each student will require the following items:

- Black pen (including spares)
- Pencil
- Ruler
- Eraser
- Pencil sharpener
- Scientific Calculator (recommended Casio FX-83GTX Scientific Calculator/Casio fx85GTX Scientific Calculator)
- Protractor and compass (for Mathematics)

Some afternoon exams will finish earlier than the normal school day. Students will remain in the Atrium and will be supervised until 3.10pm. We will not be sending students off site, early.

These exams are a key opportunity for students to assess their own progress and understanding of the subjects they are studying. Revision seminars and workshops continue to run after half term and throughout the PPE period. We invite all students to attend as many as they are able.

Over the half term break, whilst students should of course rest after a long and challenging term, if they do not already have one in place, we urge students to organise a revision timetable and be proactive in their exam preparation. Every student should routinely complete practice papers, organise target areas for revision and review study materials from lessons and Google Classroom.

Should you have any questions regarding the upcoming PPEs please contact your child's Form Tutor in the first instance via email at [meroffice@maidenerleghtrust.org](mailto:meroffice@maidenerleghtrust.org).

Wishing your child the very best in their examinations. I have no doubt that success awaits.

Yours sincerely,



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