

19 December 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Year 11 Pre-Public Examinations

As you are aware, students in Year 11 will be sitting their Pre-Public Examinations (PPEs) from Monday 27th January 2024. The general timetable will be emailed via Bromcom to both students and parents; a copy of the timetable will also be available for reference on the Year 11 Google Classroom noticeboard.

These exams are a vital opportunity for students to demonstrate their cumulative knowledge and understanding of topics in preparation for their 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 or predicted attainment for Post 16 destinations, these PPEs will provide 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 could result in the student being seen as committing a malpractice offense. As in the real exam, students must be ready 15 minutes prior to the start of the exam. All students must be ready, at their designated tutor table in the Atrium at 8.40am. 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 away, in their own lockers. No watches or mobile phones can be taken into the exam and should also be either in their locker or left at home.

The school will not be taking responsibility for items students have not stored away or organised in advance. 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 – a service they will need to access prior to their exams, and not on the morning of. 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.

The required equipment needed for each student is:

- 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)



After their exams, students will be expected to return to their normal, timetabled lessons. We will not be sending students off site, early. At the end of the school day, students with detentions are expected to attend their consequences, and those who wish to attend revision sessions may also remain on site. We invite all students to attend as many as they are able. A copy of the revision sessions running when we return on 6th January can be found [HERE](#).

Over the festive break, whilst students should of course rest after a long and challenging term, we urge students to be proactive in their study. Every student should be routinely completing practice papers, organising target areas for revision and reviewing study materials from lessons and Google Classroom for their examinations. These exams are a key opportunity for students to show their progress and reflection from PPE1. We ask students to consider and act on the feedback given in class, on Review Day and at Parents' Evening to ensure that they are prepared for their assessments.

Should you have any questions regarding the upcoming PPEs please contact your child's Form Tutor in the first instance via email at meroffice@madienerleghtrust.org.

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

Yours sincerely,



Mrs A Cotton
Head of Year 11

