

Dear Parent/Carer,

As our Year 10 students approach the end of the first year of their level 2 qualifications, we are looking forward to preparing them as best as possible for their end of year mock examinations and subsequently embarking on their final year with us here at The Dean Academy.

The end of year mock examinations for Year 10 will be taking place in formal examination conditions and are of particular importance to students due to a number of reasons:

- they provide students with as much experience as possible in the unique nature of sitting formal assessments
- they provide teachers with important evidence as to the progress students have made this academic year and enable staff to make projections based upon their performance; this will then form the basis of the reports that students will be using to apply to their next steps (6th form/apprenticeship/college)
- they enable staff and students to identify the areas where the students' strengths lie, and also the areas where we can offer additional intervention support if needed to help them achieve their potential

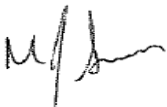
The Year 10 exams will be commencing on **Friday 5th May 2023** (due to the coronation bank holiday the following Monday) and all exams will be held over the next 5 school days. The students' individual exam timetables will be distributed in the first week back after the Easter holidays and a copy of the general timetable can be found at the end of this letter.

The content of the mock examinations will be a consolidation of everything that the students have been studying throughout Year 10. Students are being provided with revision support from their teachers to aid their self-study in the lead up to these mock examinations and the focus of "Extra Mile" during the coming weeks will be consolidation and revision.

We are hosting a **parent information evening** on site at school on **Thursday 20th April 2023** from **4.45pm – 5.30pm** where we will run through the mock examination procedure as well as other key information for students and parents/carers about this crucial time in our young people's lives.

We look forward to seeing you at our information evening and continuing to work with you to ensure success for your child.

Yours sincerely,



Mark Swain
Head of Year 10



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Year 10 Mock Examination Window Schedule 2023

Day & Date	Period 1 9:15	Break	Period 2 10:35	Period 3 11:35	Lunch	Period 4 13:10	Period 5 14:10
Friday 5 May	PE		Engineering OR Hair & Beauty			Spanish Reading/ Writing OR Media OR Hospitality & Catering	
Tuesday 9 May	English Literature			Science Biology		Maths Paper 1	
Wednesday 10 May	Science Chemistry		Business				Geography
Thursday 11 May	Maths Paper 2			History		English Language	
Friday 12 May	French Reading/Writing OR Construction			Computing OR Philosophy		Science Physics	
Monday 15 May	Spanish Listening		French Listening			Maths Paper 3	



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