

Welcome to Mock Examinations Results Day



Why are we here?



- **Celebrate** your mock examination success
- Give you the chance to **experience** how you may feel in the summer after your real GCSE examinations
- Give you the chance to reflect upon where you are now and what you can do to further improve

<u>What emotions are you likely to</u> <u>experience this afternoon...</u>



<u>Joy!</u> - You have achieved grades higher than those you expected or been predicted.



<u>Satisfaction</u> - You have achieved your expectations or predictions.



<u>Disappointment!</u> - You have achieved below your expectations or predictions.

Interpreting your results

How many subjects did you **Pass?**

Science? If you are doing combined Science then you have achieved 2 x the grade on the sheet Did you **Pass** English (either Lit or Lang) **and** Maths?

The Government have determined that you need a Grade 4 to have **secured a Pass** in a GCSE. If you do not achieve at least a Grade 4 in either English Lit **or** Lang **AND** Maths in the summer – you will have to retake them (until you do)

If you take Art, Photography or BTEC Sport then consider what grades you are working at in these subjects too.

Did you meet your targets?

We have to provide Sixth Forms and Apprenticeships your target grades as part of your reference so they can see your potential.

What was your reaction ...?

How do you feel?



- Why did you feel like this?
- Is this how you want to feel in the summer?
- Would your results have been sufficient for your post GCSE choices?
- What are you going to do now?



Some comments from your peers

Since your PPEs we have conducted a number of 1:1 reviews with students and other pupil voice activities. The following have been said by some of your peers:

I just want to learn now, I wish everyone else would let us get on with it Can you please do something about some of the people in my class who constantly talk Time is starting to run out – some people need to take it a bit more seriously

I know I don't always concentrate

Could we have a quiet workspace to use after school

I work really hard in some lessons.....

I need to be a bit more determined to come to school every day.

I guess I need to start thinking about next year....

Next Steps in school

- You will likely find **seating plans changing**
- In lessons you will be doing DIRT on the papers what went wrong and why!
- Take some time to reflect yourself too (task in tutor tomorrow!) – teachers can't do it all for you!
- You will **all** receive some targeted work for Christmas holidays. This will be from **1** subject where you have underperformed.
- Some of you will be doing some re-sits in that subject too, so that you another chance to show us (and yourself) that you can do better

What do you do now...?

Al Pacino's speech from the film 'Any Given Sunday' How does this relate to you right now?



Al Pacino & your GCSE Examinations

• '3 mins to the biggest battle of our professional lives'

Around 92 school days until your first written GCSE exam (not including practical exams in Art or Tech etc)

•'We are in hell right now, gentlemen...we can fight our way back into the light...We can climb out of hell. One inch, at a time' You may not have achieved what you wanted to and feel down, but you can still do something about it

'Now I can't do it for you. I'm too old. I look around and I see these young faces'
You have to do it yourself but we have the experience and will do our best to help you

•'On this team, we fight for that inch...We CLAW with our finger nails for that inch'

You are not going to suddenly improve but if you take the advice you are given over the next few weeks, lots of small improvements (inches) could lead to some very good progress

•'Between WINNING and LOSING' Achieving targets & not achieving targets / Being able to do what you want to after GCSEs and not being able to

•'Either we heal as a team or we will die as individuals' As a year group you need to work with each other and not against each other - attitude and behaviour in tutor, ALL lessons, in intervention....

Now I can't make you do it. Now, whattaya gonna do? REMEMBER ...

- ·Don't PANIC.
- Know your current position and plan!
- •Prepare yourself for the real thing
- Take advantage of all the advice and time that is still to come
- •You are not alone...

There is LOTS of support available

•Important people: Parents/Guardians, Subject Teachers, Form Tutors, HOY, Senior Leaders, and Each Other;

•Information, Advice and Guidance: Mrs Hardman, Careers section in the library

•In School Support: Examination technique lesson focus; Past Paper Practice; Additional revision lessons and booster classes (invited and open sessions)

•E Learning: e.g. Tassomai, Hegarty

1:1 tutoring – some of you have already been invited. We have more programmes starting in January.



In summary

REFLECT

Today, tomorrow, next week

ENGAGE

This week, next term

PREPARE

Next 2 Terms

ACHIEVE

Summer 2023 & beyond!

Attend Parents' Evening tonight. Complete an honest self-reflection tomorrow. How did I do? Did I prepare? Do I know how to improve?

Complete DIRT activities next week to understand how to improve. Complete directed Christmas tasks. Revise for Re-sits (if doing one). Take up opportunities of support and revision. Attend school and classes.

Get organised with revision. Know what is on the exam papers. Complete NEAs to the best of your ability. Revise for PPEs (March). Have a plan for Post-16.

Meet (or exceed) academic targets. Secure the place at College/Apprenticeship. Be successful!

Of all sad words of tongue or pen, the saddest are these, 'It might have been.'

John Greenleaf Whittier

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