



HEANOR GATE SCIENCE COLLEGE

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“Create a culture of aspiration”

Principal: **Mr S Huntington**



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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Year 11

Firstly, thank you for all the kind messages of support and condolence following the tragic loss of our Year 11 Achievement Leader, Miss Lee. The decision has been taken that any future contact regarding Year 11 is to be via the email address year11achievement@heanorgate.derbyshire.sch.uk. We will endeavour to respond to emails as soon as possible.

Mrs Coleman will continue as the Assistant Achievement Leader and the Senior Leadership Team will take over the academic and progress elements of Year 11 in the short term.

Parents' Evening Appointments for split families

Due to the number of extra appointments (in the region of 300 per year group) it is unsustainable to offer more than one appointment per family. Therefore, children from split families will only be allocated one appointment per subject.

In exceptional circumstances, where there are legal parameters which would make it inappropriate for both parents to attend together, we can make alternative arrangements. Please contact Mrs Coleman to arrange this if required.

Post 16

All Year 11 students will participate in a post 16 taster day on Friday 26 October; choices of subjects and lessons are available now and I would encourage you to discuss potential Level 3 courses with your children. The HGSC Sixth Form Open Evening is on Thursday 18 October and all sixth form staff will be available on the evening to discuss and support decisions around future potential provision.

Mock Examinations

I would like to congratulate your child on what has been a really impressive start to Year 11. The attitude and commitment of the year group so far bodes well for successful outcomes in the future.

Week Commencing Monday 15 October

All Year 11 students will be completing the first of two mock examination programmes. This mock examination period is crucial for checking on attainment but more importantly assessing what our students know and what they need further support with over the coming months. Therefore, it is essential that students revise thoroughly for these assessments. Please can we ask for your support in ensuring revision takes place outside of the school day.

Normal lessons will be suspended during this week as students will be sitting examinations in the morning and afternoon sessions. During period 3 they will be revising for the examination which is scheduled immediately after lunch. On Wednesday 17 October, Year 11 students will finish the school day at 2.35pm; after they have completed their maths examination paper. There will be no period 6.

Week Commencing Monday 22 October

When students are not sitting an examination they will attend their timetabled lessons. Therefore, on Wednesday 24 October students will be expected to stay for period 6, as per a normal week.

Please see below the mock examination timetable which provides an overview of the next two weeks.

Date	Period 1 - 2	Period 3	Periods 4b - 5
Mon 15 Oct	English Language, Paper 1, 1 hour 45	Maths Revision	Maths, Paper 1, 1 hour 30 (non-calc)
Tue 16 Oct	English Language , Paper 2, 1 hour 45	Maths Revision	Maths, Paper 2, 1 hour 30 (calc)
Wed 17 Oct	English Literature, 2 hour 15	Maths Revision	Maths, Paper 3, 1 hour 30 (calc)
Thu 18 Oct	Science – Biology Biology 1 hour 45 Trilogy, 1 hour 15	History/geography Revision	History Paper 1, 1 hour 15 Geography, Paper 1, 1 hour
Fri 19 Oct	Science – Chemistry Chemistry 1 hour 45 Trilogy, 1 hour 15	Physics Revision	Science – Physics Physics 1 hour 45 Trilogy, 1 hour 15
Mon 22 Oct	Spanish Listening/Reading - Higher only French Listening/Reading - Higher only	History/geography Revision	History, Paper 2, 1 hour 45 Geography, Paper 3, 1 hour 15
Tue 23 Oct	Sociology, 1 hour 45 minutes	Normal lessons	French Writing Spanish Writing
Wed 24 Oct	Spanish Listening/Reading- Foundation only French Listening/Reading - Foundation only	Normal lessons	PE, Paper 1, 1 hour Computer Science, 1 hour 30 Creative I-Media, 1 hour 15
Thu 25 Oct	Food Practical (Periods 1-3, H5), 3 hours Product Design, 2 hours Engineering, 2 hours Music, 1 hour	Normal lessons	PE, Paper 2, 1 hour Business, 1 hour 30 Psychology, 1 hour 45 minutes
Fri 26 Oct	Post 16 Taster Day		
Wed 7 Nov	Art and Photography, (Periods 2-6, N Block), 5 hours		

As always, all of the information is on our website should you need any further clarification beyond this letter.

I would like to wish your child all the best for their forthcoming examinations and hope they have a restful yet productive half term break.

Yours sincerely



Mr S Huntington
Principal