



27 February 2020

Rachel Hutchinson  
**Principal**

Dear Parent/Carer

## **Re: Year 11 Mock Examination Information**

The first mock examinations were completed last term; the second set of mock examinations and then the external examinations will soon be upon us.

Consequently, we would like to make you aware of the continued support available to your son/daughter in the remaining few months leading up to the external examinations:

### **1 Mock Examinations Monday, 9 March – Friday, 20 March 2020**

These are aimed at giving your child further examination experience, with the results used to then allow them to reflect upon their progress, ensuring any gaps in their learning are identified and individual action plans can be produced.

### **2 Study Support Timetable**

Sessions are on offer at lunchtime and after College. These sessions are open to all students taking that subject and some are for specific students, who have been invited by Departments. The Timetable is attached to this letter and a copy is located on the website. <https://www.ivybridge.devon.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=3133&type=pdf>

### **3 Easter Support Sessions**

The Maythorne building will be open as a quiet study area from 9am to 12 noon between Monday, 30 March and Friday, 3 April 2020. A member of staff will be present to offer support if required. This is especially useful for students who may find it hard to revise at home and prefer a quiet study area. A timetable of specific subject support sessions available during the Easter holiday will be sent out after the mock examinations.

May we also emphasise that your help and support in working with us is invaluable and we ask you to assist in the following ways, by ensuring that your child:

- attends College – as you are aware attendance at College is crucial for student welfare and progress. Each day missed equates to five hours of learning lost. While we understand that illness can be unavoidable, can parents please support us by ensuring students are in College and medical appointments take place outside of College hours;
- has their Revision Timetable which includes each subject;
- is encouraged to break revision time into small chunks: 30 – 40 minute sessions with short breaks at the end of each session;
- allocates equal revision time to all subjects;
- Has all the essential equipment for each examination, ideally in a clear plastic pencil case;
- is encouraged to produce revision notes and to complete practice examination papers for each subject;
- is encouraged to attend any support sessions on offer for the subjects they study and especially attend those that they are invited to.

Finally, we are here to help your child achieve the very best portfolio of grades that their attitude, effort and ability will allow. If there is anything further you think that we could do to support your child, please kindly inform us and we will endeavour to help.

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Thank you once again for your continued support.

We wish your son/daughter every success in their forthcoming examinations.

Yours sincerely

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**Year 11 Academic Performance Leader**

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**Assistant Principal**