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**Dear Parent/Guardian** 

## Year 12 Mid-Year Mock Examinations

I am writing to inform you about our plans for Year 12 students to undertake mid-year mock examinations between 17 - 21 March.

The purpose of these mid-year exams is to prepare students for the realities of post 16 examinations and to get them used to writing in timed conditions in a pressured exam setting. It will also give staff vital information about where students strengths and areas for developments are, as we build up to the end of Year 12 exams. Information from the results of these assessments will also help to shape our Sixth Form revision strategies as students get closer to Year 13.

These exams will also allow us to use the end of year summer examinations as a better guide for UCAS predictions and for their suitability to continue into Year 13.

The length and structure of each exam will depend on what each subject feels are appropriate for their students at this stage of the course. During the week, the timetable will be collapsed for Year 12 with normal lessons resuming on Monday 24 March. There may be some subjects with heavy coursework elements where exams are not appropriate and where possible students should still attend these lessons.

Our belief as a Sixth Form is the more we help prepare students for their final exams the less stressful those exams will be at the end of Year 13. As such, this is an important week of assessment which students should proactively and diligently prepare for.

If you have any questions about these exams, please feel free to email me directly at hed.hyder@hedingham.essex.sch.uk

Yours sincerely

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