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Dear Parent/Carer and Year 11 Student

This week we have outlined our plans with Year 11 in light of the recent government announcement concerning the summer exam season. I have attached the PowerPoint with the information we know to date about the governments' intentions for the format of the GCSEs this summer. I have summarised the key messages below for your convenience.

In short, our preparations for the January mock exams continue unchanged. We do not have enough information to make any adaptations. It remains an excellent opportunity for students to receive and act upon feedback in order to perform at their best in the summer. By the time we have our second mock series just before Easter, we should have more concrete information about the format of the GCSEs. These are due to be published by Exam boards before the end of January.

### Key Messages

There will be exams in the summer

Focus now on the January mocks, they will provide an excellent opportunity to guide you through the next steps towards being the best you can.

We have a flexible mock model, which we can adapt in time for our second set of mocks before Easter, when we know more about the format of the exams in the summer.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'M Ashdown'.

Mr M Ashdown  
Deputy Headteacher

