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Dear Parent

## Re: Walking Talking Mock

We introduced walking talking mocks for English and Maths last year to help students achieve better results in their GCSE exams.

Most students sit do the walking talking mock in a large group in the theatre. The session is based on a practice GCSE exam and the students remain under exam conditions. The significant difference from other exams is that a teacher will give focused guidance and instructions at regular intervals, explaining how to tackle each question. The aim is to train students how to respond to exam questions positively so that their answers are the best possible.

All Year 11 students will sit an English and Maths paper this month and another walking talking mock in each subject later in the year.

Normal mock exams in all subjects will take place from 06 December to 12 December inclusive.

Walking talking mocks are run by the Exams Office and your son/daughter will have received an exam timetable that shows the time and dates of these mocks.

The walking talking mocks take place under strict exam conditions, supervised by invigilators and we expect all students to make sure they bring pens and highlighters to help them complete the papers. Students will also need ruler, pencil, rubber, protractor, compasses and calculator for the maths paper. You can buy the perfect calculator for a substantially discounted price from our school library.

If you have any questions please contact Mrs Light in the Exams Office on [vlight@stjohns.excalibur.org.uk](mailto:vlight@stjohns.excalibur.org.uk) or 01672 519569.

Yours faithfully



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