

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Year 13 Mock Examinations continue in school next week

I hope that this letter finds you and your families safe and well in the run-up to the Christmas break after a long and sometimes frustrating term.

I am writing to you today in order to update you regarding our current situation with Covid-19. We have conducted extensive work with Public Health England and Birmingham Local Authority to review the number of positive cases across the academy since 26/11/20.

We have witnessed a rise in positive cases over the last two weeks. This is for both staff and students and affects all year groups other than year 11, who currently have no positive Covid-19 cases.

I would like to thank you all for your diligence and precautionary measures that you have taken to ensure that your child stays away from school if they have had Covid-19 symptoms. Your dedication to the cause has ensured that we have been able to keep Year 13 in school as much as we possibly can; I know that both students and staff have appreciated this enormously.

As a result of very few Covid-19 cases in year 13, **school will still be open to Year 13 students next week for their mock examinations only**. This is to ensure that they can continue their **Mock Examinations** in school to support them in what is such an important year. At the bottom of this letter, you will find the **Mock Examinations taking place this week..**

Students should only come into school for their Mock Examinations.

In addition, a few students have still to send their UCAS applications off. Appointments will be sent out, coinciding with the beginning or end of an exam as far as possible, for them to meet with a member of the sixth form team. **Please ensure their UCAS is paid for PRIOR to this meeting so that we can send off applications in a timely manner**

I know that as supportive parents and carers, you will remind your child of the importance of keeping focused at this time and treating their Mock Examinations seriously. Their Mock Examinations are a key part in our strategy to maximise your child's performance in the summer examination series.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support, commitment, and dedication to Fortis Senior Academy. Rest assured that we are doing all we can to increase your child's life chances and staff at school have been working extremely hard to facilitate this along with you all at home.

I look forward to seeing Year 13 students in school next week for their Mock Examinations or UCAS submissions and seeing them enjoy the successes that their grit, hard work and resilience, will bring.

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous and healthy 2021.

Yours faithfully



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Mock Exam timetable year 13

Chemistry	Monday 14th December	13 A Session 1
		13 C Session 3
English Literature	Monday 14th December	13 A Session 1
		13 D Session 2
Sociology	Tuesday 15th December	13 C Session 1
Spanish	Thursday 17th December	Session 3
Art	Tuesday 15th December	13 A Session 2
	Thursday 17th December	13 A Session 3
Business	Monday 14th December	13 C Session 3
	Tuesday 15th December	13 B Session 3
	Wednesday 16th December	13 C Session 2

