

18<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Dear Year 11 parents and carers,

Thank you for all of the support and guidance you have provided to your children over the recent Year 11 mock examination season. I am very proud to report that the behaviour and attitude of students during the exam period has been exemplary.

This letter outlines some of the next important milestones in the Year 11 journey towards their examinations in summer 2025.

The next key milestones in January are the Mock Results day, the Year 11 Parents' evening and preparations for post-16 destinations. I have included further information below.

## **Year 11 Mock results day – Wednesday 22nd January 2025, periods 5 and 6.**

This event is during the school day and for students. They will have the experience of receiving their mock examination results alongside their peers in a special assembly. This is valued experience, with our previous students saying that it provided them with recognition where it had gone well, and also a moment to reflect on what needed to be improved for the summer GCSE exams. To ensure that students have an experience that replicates receiving their results in the summer, students have not been told their mock *grades* by their teachers, instead they have been told their *score* for each paper.

## **Year 11 Parents' evening - Thursday 23rd January 2025, 3.30pm to 6.30pm**

The evening will be face-to-face in the School Sports Hall. Please use the school's parents' evening booking system to book appointments for your child's teachers. Visit <https://lowtonchurchofengland.schoolcloud.co.uk> then login with the information listed below:

- *Parent first name and surname*
- *Student first name and surname*
- *Student date of birth*
- *Entry of your email address is optional*
- *The details must match the information given to school*

You will be able to book appointments from **9.00am** on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025** and the booking system will close at **12.00pm** on **Thursday 23rd January**.

On the evening, please report to the registration desk at the entrance to the Sports Hall where you will be given a paper copy of your child's attainment report containing their mock grades in each subject. On receipt of the report please discuss it with your child and their teachers. This meeting will allow school and parents to work together ensuring your child maximises their academic potential in their final GCSE examinations.

## **CARING, LEARNING AND SUCCEEDING**

## Future Skills Questionnaire (FSQ).

This week Year 11 pupils will be completing the Future Skills Questionnaire (FSQ). This will help us evaluate the school's careers programme, plan future careers activities and target learners who may need additional support. Learners will complete the 15-minute questionnaire which asks questions on their career related knowledge and skills. This should be an enjoyable activity for learners and encourage them to begin thinking about future careers and next steps after school.

We use a third-party tool called Compass+ to administer the questionnaire. All learner data is processed in compliance with General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). If you wish to know more about the careers programme in school and/or would like to get involved, please contact **Mrs C Ashton (Careers Coordinator)** via email: [ashtonc@lowtonhs.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:ashtonc@lowtonhs.wigan.sch.uk).

The Spring term intervention timetable will be published the week beginning the **6<sup>th</sup> January 2025**. If you require any further information regarding any of the events mentioned, please contact your child's form tutor directly.

Thank you for all your ongoing support for your child in this important year.

With all best wishes for a wonderful Christmas. We look forward to seeing you in January.

Yours faithfully



**Mr Philip Carter**

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