



Robert Smyth Academy

Dear Families,

Year 11 Trial Exams

Mock exams are crucial for Year 11 students as they provide a realistic practice environment, helping them to familiarise themselves with exam conditions and manage time effectively. Following a positive experience in November, all students should be working on their areas for improvement so they can build on their performance through developing resilience. This process not only boosts their confidence but also enhances their ability to perform under pressure, ultimately preparing them for the final exams.

In our recent assembly, we emphasised the urgency of the upcoming exams, with less than 13 school weeks remaining. We highlighted the importance of working hard now, as there is no better time to start. To prepare effectively for the next set of Trial Exams, we encouraged students to follow a structured approach: **Do** the work, **Review** their progress, **Go Back Through** challenging topics. We have provided all students with **Knowledge Organisers** to assist them with revision and we have sent out a model **Revision Timetable** which they can adapt. We also reminded them of the various support options available, including interventions.

We would **strongly urge** parents to check-in with their children to ensure they are revising regularly and using the following information to make sure that they can achieve success in their GCSE Exams.

Revision Class Programme:

<https://www.robertsmyth.tgacademy.org.uk/files/2025/01/Revision-Classes-and-Interventions.pdf>

How to Revise:

<https://www.robertsmyth.tgacademy.org.uk/students/revision-support-for-students/>

Trial Exam Timetable

<https://www.robertsmyth.tgacademy.org.uk/files/2025/01/Year-11-Trial-Timetable-FebMar2025.pdf>



Chloe Longster's Legacy

After school on **Friday, March 14th**, we are hosting the first '**Chloe's Colour Run**' to raise funds so that all students can enjoy their Prom. This event, chosen by Chloe's family to honor her memory, includes a paint run and a raffle. Participation will cost £10, covering a t-shirt, protective glasses, foil blanket, five colour stations, and a commemorative wristband. We hope many students join us to support this cause and have fun. More details and sign-up information will be provided in a letter sent next week.

Finally, I trust that you will have a positive weekend ahead and that students benefit from the additional time on Monday as this is a Trust Inset Day, and the school is closed to all students.

Yours sincerely,

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