Friday 14 November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am pleased to share that Year 10 have made a really positive start to the second half of the Autumn term. Students have been working hard across all subjects and engaging well with wider school life. This week, they have taken part in our whole school Remembrance Day service and activities for Anti-Bullying Week, both of which have encouraged thoughtful reflection and community spirit.

The October Mock Examination grades for Religious Education will be available to view on GO 4 Schools today. You will receive an automated email from Go4Schools with a link to your child's mock grade report. Click on the link, log into Go4Schools and the report will appear on screen. Alternatively, log into Go4School via your web browser (not the App), click on the Reports section; you will then see the report and can click to open it.

Please note that it is entirely normal for results at this stage to differ from a student's predicted grade. These early mock exams are designed to help students become familiar with the examination style and the experience of sitting assessments in a formal setting.

Importantly, the mock exam gives students and staff valuable insight into areas of strength and those requiring further development. Teachers will be using the outcomes to identify key themes and topics that need to be revisited in lessons to close any gaps in knowledge. This reflective process is a vital part of preparing students for future success.

The next RE Mock Examination is scheduled for February 2026 and we encourage students to continue with their preparations. We will continue to share tips in assembly and there will be a revision unit during February and March in tutor time, where students will learn more on how to revise, look after themselves in stressful periods and how to achieve a good balance, eating and exercising well.

A reminder that model answers and the RE revision presentation were emailed to all parents following the Parent Teams RE session in October, before the mock exam, and are available on the Digital Learning Hub along with a variety of revision resources and past papers in the Subject Resources areas.

To further support Year 10 students with their preparation for the RE GCSE, revision sessions will also take place weekly starting in February and we will publish a timetable of sessions available nearer the time.

Later this term, we will be publishing the Data 1 grades, which are predictions based on a range of evidence and teacher assessments. If you have any specific questions about your child's progress, please contact the relevant subject staff directly.

Year 10 Work Experience 8-12 June 2026

The DfE expects schools to offer a work experience opportunity to students and we support and encourage all year 10 students to complete a work experience placement as part of our careers programme. It is an invaluable opportunity for our students to find out about the process of securing a job and what life is like in the workplace and develop essential skills.

















Students are encouraged to secure their own placement. Just before half term students received an assembly to launch this year's work experience and they have been provided with a guide to support them through the process.

We are lucky to have around 200 local providers who have supported us of the recent years and this has resulted in all students have securing a placement. The link will take you to the provider details in the career section on the school website.

Students have been sent an invite from our career platform Grofar, and have undertaken a training session on how to access the work experience section in order to upload their placement details, and to enable the health & safety/ Employers Liability Insurance details to be completed. The information for this is also included in the work experience guide.

Please note that we are unable to support placements where there is no employer liability insurance (ELI) - this is typically where there are no additional employees, and the person works on their own.

We have a number of deadlines throughout the year to encourage students to secure placements early as there are a number of secondary schools in the area who will also be running work experience for their own students which makes competition high. These are detailed on the last page of the guide. The first deadline is 5 December.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Alan Boyes Year 10 Lead

















