

27th November 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

YEAR 13 ACADEMIC PROGRESS CHECK 1

Your child's progress check has been handed to them during tutor today, I hope you find this helpful in tracking your child's progress. This is useful to gauge where your child is currently at with their learning ahead of the mock examinations which take place from Thursday 7th December to Wednesday 13th December. Please find below the mock examination timetable for information. Following the mock examinations, we will publish the next progress check on the **Monday 29th January**, and this will be followed up by a Virtual Year 13 Parents Evening on **Wednesday 7th February**.

December Internal Mock Examinations

Personalised exam timetables including rooming and seat numbers can now be found on students' Myhighcliffe. Please encourage your child to check this information ahead of the exam period. Students will be granted study leave throughout the mock exam period and we expect students to return to lessons on Thursday 14th December. Teaching staff will be available to all students for drop ins / revision support in normal classrooms rooms during their timetabled lessons throughout the study leave period.

We have asked students who study vocational subjects (BTEC/CTEC courses) to use the time gained to ensure that they are fully up to date with all components of their courses and related coursework. Some vocational courses have external examinations in January, and so time can be used for revision and preparation for upcoming examinations.

Lessons in all Art, Design and Technology (Da Vinci) subject areas will continue as normal during the mock exam period and the expectation is that students attend lessons around their exams. This is to help support students to keep on track and meet their upcoming examined coursework deadlines. Students who are studying two Art, Design and Technology subjects should be able to attend the majority of lessons so they can continue working on their projects.

University Applications

We encourage students who are sure about their choices and who have finalised their personal statement, to send their application by the end of autumn term. This allows students to then focus on their studies with a clear goal in mind.

If students wish to send their application before the end of term, they **must** hand in their submission form to the Star room by **Friday 1st December**. If submission forms are received after this date, we **cannot guarantee** applications will be sent before the end of autumn term.

Students have been advised that they should not rush their application to meet this deadline if they feel they are not yet ready. **The final deadline for UCAS applications is set by UCAS, which is Wednesday 31st January 2024.**

Tutor Time: 8:35am – 9am

Please be aware that attendance at tutor time on a Monday and Tuesday remains compulsory for Year 13. During this time, we deliver whole school and Sixth Form messages and provide future pathways and wellness support. Students also continue to attend a one to one tutorial with their tutor every half term to help them remain focused.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Sixth Form if you have any questions about this progress check or other information contained in this letter. The direct number is 01425 282322 or e-mail office@highcliffesixth.com

We wish you and your family all the best over the Christmas period. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs C Tubbs
Head of Year 13

Y13 Mock Exam Timetable

	Thurs 07-Dec-23	Fri 08-Dec-23	Mon 11-Dec-23	Tue 12-Dec-23	Wed 13-Dec-23
	WEEK A	Week A	Week B	Week B	Week B
08:45AM Arrival 9:00 AM Start	English Language & Literature 2 Hour 30 Mins Geography 2 Hours 30 Mins Religious Philosophy 2 Hours Further Mathematics 1 Hour 30 Mins PE Diploma 1 Hour Spanish 2 Hours 30 Mins (ML7)	Physics 2 Hour 15 Mins Economics 2 Hours Psychology 2 Hours	English Literature 2 Hours 15 Mins Mathematics 2 Hours Sociology 2 Hours Health and Social Care 2 Hours Music 2 Hour 30 Mins (Room TBA)	Biology 2 Hour 15Mins Computer Science 2 Hours 30 Mins Film Studies 2 Hours Physical Education 2 Hours Media Studies 2 Hours 15 Mins (Room TBA)	Chemistry 2 Hours 15 Mins Business Studies 2 Hours Government & Politics 2 Hours French 2 Hours 30 Mins (ML7)
Lunch	LUNCH				
12:15 PM Arrival 12:30 PM Start	Psychology BTEC 2 Hours History 1 Hour			Catch Up Session 1	Catch Up Session 2