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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Key Dates and Examination Information

Following the recent mock examinations, I would like to confirm that the results will be published on **Friday 13 February**. Additionally, I would like to take this opportunity to highlight some important upcoming events and key dates as we continue to support students in their preparation for the A-level examinations this summer.

Mock examinations serve as a valuable indicator of the grades students are likely to achieve in their final assessments. They also provide an opportunity for both students and parents/carers to identify areas for improvement and refine revision strategies accordingly. I will be available to discuss results on an individual basis between **3.45pm and 5.30pm** on **Tuesday 24 February**.

To support students in their studies, the **school library remains open each evening after school**, offering a quiet and supervised space for independent study.

The final **A-level examination period** will take place from **5 May 2026 to 24 June 2026**, with a half-term break from **25 to 29 May**. Please note that there are some dates, including the 24th June, that are designated as "contingency days". These days are put in place in case the government decides there is a need for an exam to be moved. As a result any exam could end up being moved to these dates so any holidays **must not be booked in this time**. It is essential that students remain available throughout this period, as external examination dates are set nationally and cannot be rescheduled. We kindly ask that no holidays or other commitments are arranged during this time.

There is often discussion around "study leave" during the examination period. At **West Cumbria Catholic Sixth Form**, we strongly believe that students benefit most from continuing their studies with the support of their teachers. As such, **all lessons will continue as timetabled until students have completed their final exam in each subject**. Attendance remains **compulsory until 22 May** and is **highly recommended thereafter**, as lessons provide valuable opportunities for guided revision and targeted support.

The Sixth Form Leavers' assembly will be held on **Friday 22 May** during period 5.

If you have any questions regarding the upcoming examinations, please do not hesitate to contact us at the school.

Yours faithfully,

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