

December 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

As part of their Graphic Design qualification your child will be sitting both their mock examination and their external examination in the first half term back after Christmas. This examination is worth 50% of the overall grade with their four units of coursework making up the other 50%. As the exam unit is worth such a large proportion of the overall grade it is vital that students are as prepared as possible to give them the very best chance of succeeding.

The format of the Graphic Design exam is that it is a 10-hour assessment that runs across a number of days. Students will sit the assessment in the classroom under controlled conditions. Students will be given a project brief and will be asked to produce a piece of design that meets this brief. The exam is broken down into the following tasks:

- Task 1 Initial graphic design ideas
- Task 2 Experiments and design ideas
- Task 3 Final graphic design
- Task 4 Evaluation

To minimise disruption to lessons as much as possible the mock exam will run across two weeks and will utilise lesson time. The timetable for the mock exam is as follows:

Mock Exam Timetable		
Date	Time	Notes
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	8:40 – 9:40	During PSHE lesson time
	11:55 – 14:55	During P4, R Time & Period 5 – Dinner as normal
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> Jan	P4	Normal Lesson time
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Jan	P4	Normal Lesson time
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan	8:40 - 9:40	During PSHE lesson time
	12:55 – 14:55	During R Time & Period 5 — Dinner as normal
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Jan	P4	Normal Lesson time
Weds 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan	P1	Normal Lesson time
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan	P4	Normal Lesson time

Following the mock exam students will be given feedback and time for reflection to prepare them for the external examination. The external examination will take place in February. Please see the timetable below:

External Assessment Timetable			
Date	Time	Notes	
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	11:55 – 14:55	During P4, R Time & Period 5 – Dinner as normal	
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	All Day	Students will be taken off their normal timetable so that they can complete their examination in this time. They will have breaks and dinner time as normal.	
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	All Day		

Results for the external examination will be released in May 2023.

Please contact me via email if you have any questions or require any further information: <a href="mailto:amy.sargent@consilium-at.com">amy.sargent@consilium-at.com</a>

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

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