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24 September 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

## **Year 11 PPE Examinations - Week Commencing 27<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

As you are aware Year 11 students will sit their Pre-Public Examinations next week. These examinations will prepare students for the challenges of the summer examination period and the students results could also form part of the supporting evidence should teacher assessment grades be used for awarding next summer.

A copy of the full exam timetable is at the end of this letter which your child will have already received. Examinations take place in the Sports Hall for most subjects on the first week. Your child's subject teacher will inform them of when their examination will take place for specialist option subjects.

The PPEs are a crucial part of Year 11 students' preparation for their final GCSE examinations and should be approached with the same degree of seriousness and effort. In a sense they are a "dress rehearsal" for the real thing, but additionally, they are part of the learning process required to ensure that students achieve to their potential in the summer. The process of revision and PPE testing helps students to improve their knowledge and skills and this can be built upon even further in the summer. Conversely, failure to revise properly for the PPEs is bound to have a long-term detrimental effect on performance in the final exams. Students are responsible for bringing the correct equipment for exams and are advised to check what they need in advance with their subject teachers.

Students are advised to be ready to line up at least 10 minutes prior to the start time of all exam sessions, that are in the Sports Hall. Attendance at all relevant exam sessions is compulsory. If your child is ill or late on a day of an exam please contact the school via the usual methods. Students should approach these examinations with a determination to do their best and, therefore, prepare thoroughly. Each student's examination result will indicate overall attainment and illustrate how well a student is achieving compared to the targets set at the start of Key Stage 4. Following the exams, subject staff will mark the papers and use this information to provide feedback based on their strengths and areas for improvement. However, please note results will not be released until PPE Results afternoon, which will take place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October during period 5. Students will receive an envelope containing their individual results from the PPEs and this will then form part of the discussion at the Year 11 tutor parents evening on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October.





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I am confident you will support us in ensuring your child is fully prepared for these exams. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me on [hnutting@coltonhills.co.uk](mailto:hnutting@coltonhills.co.uk)

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

**H Nutting**

**Assistant Headteacher - KS4**

Year 11	27th Sept	28th Sept	29th Sept	30th Sept	1st Oct
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Period 1	English	Science Biology	Option B	Science Chemistry	Science Physics
Period 2					
Break					
Period 3	Maths	Option A	Option D	Option C	
Period 4					



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