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Re: GCSE English Language and Literature

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I am writing to inform you of the arrangements for the **optional further assessments for GCSE English Language** which are scheduled for Monday 26th April and Tuesday 27th April.

We would like to stress that these assessments are **optional**, and should not be undertaken by every pupil in the year group. They are being provided for any pupils who felt that they severely underperformed in their mocks before the winter break.

Pupils studying **Language and Literature** for GCSE, may choose to sit either paper, both papers, or neither paper.

Pupils studying **Language Only** may choose to sit the Unit 1 paper, and will have a further Unit 4 based assessment in class. More information will be provided by their class teachers.

However, we would also like to stress that the mock papers are only part of the portfolio of evidence which the English Department will be considering before arriving at your child's/ward's Centre Determined Grade. Furthermore, all existing evidence gathered from pupils will be considered in light of the subject guidance and grade descriptors provided by CCEA, not the usual School grade boundaries.

We would be grateful if you could, therefore, ask your child/ward to respond to the following Google Form by Monday 29th March, indicating whether or not they wish to sit these additional assessments.

If no response has been received by 17:00 on Monday 29th March, we will assume that your child/ward does not wish to undertake these optional assessments.

<https://forms.gle/9h9trWaD3tHtsq6K9>

Yours sincerely,

E Graham

Mrs E Graham

Head of English and Drama