

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11 Mock Interview Day

We are pleased to confirm our annual Year 11 Mock Interviews will be taking place on **Friday 17th October 2025**. In past years, our Mock Interviews are widely successful and well-supported and allow us to ensure students have experience of interviews prior to them applying for post-16 providers and part-time jobs. The Mock Interviews will take place during the Academy day and your child will have a designated time at which to attend their interview. We have a range of external visitors attending the event from all different professional backgrounds and hope that once again, the event will continue to be a positive and successful opportunity for all students.

Students are busy working on their Personal Statements which will be needed for the Mock Interviews and for their College Application Day in November. Students have had time to complete these in a bespoke enrichment morning and during Learning for Life sessions. There are also catch-up sessions after school on Monday 13th October and Thursday 16th October. The library is also available to students before and after school and in their timetabled library slots during breaks and lunch. It is students' responsibility to ensure their Personal Statement is complete and printed prior to their Mock Interview appointment.

This year, we are offering students the option to come in smart business wear, to give them a real insight into interviews and allow them to take some ownership of ensuring they are ready and prepared for their interview, including in their presentation. **I must stress this is optional and students are able to wear their normal Academy uniform if they would prefer and this is not a non-uniform day.**

If your child would like to wear smart, business wear for school on Friday 17th October, they must follow the below guidelines:

Boys: Smart trousers, smart shirt and/or suit jacket and tie. Black or brown smart shoes.

Girls: Smart trousers, smart shirt/blouse, knee-length skirt with tights, smart dress, smart shoes.

We will not permit any student to wear trainers, anything that is low-cut or revealing, with logos or brand names visible. The Academy will have the final say on suitability and if students don't follow guidelines, they will be required to change.

If students would like to discuss outfit choices with the Academy prior to the event, they are welcome to see myself, or Mrs Rudd.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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