

February



Dear Parents/Guardians,

This month, we have provided study materials on 'An Inspector Calls' in preparation for the second round of core mock examinations in March. Please note that 11Y5 will just sit the poetry section of the exam. Students in 11Y5 will need to follow the advice offered in lessons regarding revision.

A re-read of the play is important, but watching it alongside the script or listening to an audio adaptation would make the task easier for those who struggle. There is an engaging BBC 2015 version, although there are some significant changes from the original text. Alternatively, the 1982 Alistair Simms production (available on YouTube) is a much closer reading of the original text. These films also allow students to hear and see dialogue spoken and work well as revision activities for dramatic devices and intention, but the original text still needs to be re-read and revised closely. Learning quotations and analysis is the next important step – we have included a range of key quotes for each character and some ideas about them to get students started, as well as some a list of independent revision tasks to work through. We hope this helps to focus them.

Here is another summary of what to expect on the second round of mocks so students can see where to focus their revision efforts in the coming weeks.

• Language Paper 2 Section A – Reading comprehension two pieces of literary non-

fiction

1hr 45 mins Section B – Opinion writing task

(There will also be a walkthrough of this paper at the start of the exam period)

• Literature Paper 2 Section A – An Inspector Calls

2 hr 15 mins Section B – Studied poems (Power and Conflict)

Section C - Unseen poems

Once again, thank you for your support and if you need us, we are only on the other end of the phone.

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