



8 March 2017

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s)

In preparation for their Spanish GCSE speaking examinations in Year 11, Year 9 students will be carrying out mock GCSE speaking assessments between Monday 27 and Wednesday 29 March.

The speaking exam will last 8-12 minutes and over the last few weeks they have been preparing and memorising the work required to do well in this assessment.

You can support your child by helping them practise their questions and answers and encouraging them to memorise the set phrases and questions for this assessment. They should aim to practise their answers (written and out loud) several times a week from memory, little and often. Students will not be permitted to bring any support material into the exam, but they will have a few minutes at the start to make some notes.

There are 3 parts to the assessment and students will be required to discuss a photo task, carry out a role play scenario and have a general discussion with questions and answers on the topic of 'school'.

Students will receive feedback and a point score for their speaking exam which will go towards their overall grade for their end of year report. Re-sits will not be permitted, as we would like the students to experience GCSE conditions, as there will be no second chances for the real GCSE examinations in Year 11.

Please see the below date and time for your child's assessment, which will be held in the language office on the first floor.

Please don't hesitate to contact me should you require any further information.

Many thanks for your support

Yours faithfully

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