



The Sutton Academy



**Year 11 Information Evening**

11<sup>th</sup> September 2025

# Parents Matter

When parents are involved in their child's education, children do better on a wide range of measures.

These positive effects include:

- Improved behaviour
- Greater confidence and self-esteem
- Higher attendance rates
- A lowered risk of suspension/exclusion
- Positive attitude towards learning.
- **Improved outcomes**



What we do,  
works.



# The Final Countdown...

YOU ARE HERE.



GCSE Mock 1  
June 2024



Start Y11  
(September)



GCSE Mock 2  
(November)



GCSE Mock  
Results Day  
(January)



GCSE Mock 2  
(February)



Tracking 2  
(After April  
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GCSE Exams  
(Start of May)



# What you do matters...

GCSE Results Day Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>  
August 2026.



# Mock 2

You will sit at least one mock exam in every one of your subjects.

Mock exams will take place in the exam venues and will be conducted in full exam conditions.

Warm Up sessions will be arranged for all exams.

Mock exams take place week commencing the **10<sup>th</sup> November** and run for three weeks (**6 School Weeks**)

This will feed directly into your **Mock GCSE Results Certificate.**



# Year 11 Mock Exam Timetable

All morning exams start at 9:30 am. All afternoon exams start at 13:40 pm.

Week Commencing 10<sup>th</sup> November 2025 Week B

	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> (PSHE)	Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>
RTL	GCSE Art Mock Exams (5 Hours)	Warm Up Session	Warm Up Session	Warm Up Session	Warm Up Session
1		Maths P1 Non Calc <i>1 hour 30 min</i>	English Literature <i>2 hour 15 min</i>	Science - Biology <i>Combined 1 hour 15 min</i> <i>Triple 1 hour 45 min</i>	Maths P2 Calculator <i>1 hour 30 min</i>
2					
3		No Exams	No Exams	No Exams	No Exams
4		Warm Up Session	Warm Up Session	Warm Up Session	Warm Up Session
5		Geography Paper 1 <i>1 hour 30 min</i>	History Paper 1 <i>1 hour 30 min</i>	Spanish - Listening <i>Higher 45 min</i> <i>Foundation 35 min</i>	Food <i>1 hour 45 min</i>  Catering <i>1 hour 20 min</i>



# Year 11 Mock Exam Timetable

All morning exams start at 9:30 am. All afternoon exams start at 13:40 pm.

Week Commencing 17<sup>th</sup> November 2025 Week A

	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>
RTL	Warm Up Session	Warm Up Session	Warm Up Session	Warm Up Session	Warm Up Session
1	Health & Social Care <i>1 hour</i>	English Language <i>1 hour 45 min</i>	Health & Fitness, Dance, Computer Science P2 <i>1 hour 30 min</i>	Science - Chemistry <i>Combined 1 hour 15 min</i> <i>Triple 1 hour 45 min</i>	Maths P2 Calculator <i>1 hour 30 min</i>
2	Computer Science P1 <i>1 hour 30 min</i>		Design <i>2 hour</i>		
3	No Exams	No Exams	No Exams	No Exams	No Exams
4	Warm Up Session	Warm Up Session	Warm Up Session	Warm Up Session	Warm Up Session
5	PE Paper 1, Music & RE <i>1 hour, 1 hour 30 min</i> <i>and 1 hour 45 min</i>	Spanish – Reading <i>Higher 1 hour</i> <i>Foundation 45 min</i>	BTEC Sport and GCSE PE Paper 2 <i>1 hour</i>	Construction and Childcare <i>1 hour</i>	Spanish – Writing <i>Higher 1 hour 15 min</i> <i>Foundation 1 hour</i>



# Year 11 Mock Exam Timetable

All morning exams start at 9:30 am. All afternoon exams start at 13:40 pm.

Week Commencing 24<sup>th</sup> November 2025 Week B

	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>
RTL	Warm Up Session	Warm Up Session			
1	<b>Maths P3 Calculator</b> 1 hour 30 min	<b>Science - Physics</b> Combined 1 hour 15 min Triple 1 hour 45 min	No Exams	No Exams	No Exams
2			No Exams	No Exams	No Exams
3	No Exams	No Exams	No Exams	No Exams	No Exams
4	Warm Up Session	Exam Mop Ups	No Exams	No Exams	No Exams
5	<b>Geography Paper 2</b> 1 hour	Exam Mop Ups	No Exams	No Exams	No Exams



# Mock GCSE Results Day

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Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026

- Students to collect result envelopes from the Arts Centre from 8:15am.
- Opportunity to share results with staff and friends.
- Celebratory Assembly
- Refreshments, balloons and opportunity for pictures which will be shared on Social Media.
  
- **Next Steps....**



# The Year 11 Team



Ms Gobin  
Vice Principal



Miss Parker  
Assistant Principal



Mr Cawley  
Achievement Leader



Miss Bibby  
Head of Year 11



Miss Keenan  
Head of Year – KS4

## The Year 11 Tutor Team

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## The Intervention Team



# What Next....

We are here to  
provide **challenge**  
and **support**...



# Our Offer...

Boost & Secure

Ready to Learn  
Intervention

Core Lesson  
Intervention

Silent Study (PE)

Boost & Beyond  
(Sixth Form)

Saturday Tuition

Half Term Sessions

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Walking Talking  
Mocks

Golden Ticket  
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# Boost & Secure

Starts **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September**

No B&S for any student on a **Monday or a Friday**

Cycle 1 up to November Mocks (x **8 weeks**)

Cycle 1 Ends – No B&S for 4 weeks.

All students will be issued a **personalised B&S Cycle 1 timetable** on and this will also be sent home to parents.

Cycle 2 starts in **January**.

**Attendance is mandatory.**

Monday  
No B&S

Tuesday  
English

Wednesday  
Maths

Thursday  
Personalised

Friday  
No B&S

*Thursday Boost starts on 25<sup>th</sup> September*



# Boost & Beyond

Sessions that run after Boost – Tuesday, Wednesday Thursday.

**3:30 to 5:00 pm.**

## Sixth Form Centre:

Quiet space for you to work – refreshments provided.

## Subject Specific Sessions:

Subjects like Spanish, Design, Sport (and more) offer sessions for you to attend



# Intervention

## Ready to Learn and Core Lesson Time.

*Evidence informed proven strategy to make a difference to your grades.*

Sessions are planned to address your gaps and misconceptions.

This is not optional.

The highest standards and expectations at ALL times.

This will run until November Mocks.

# Opportunity



# Half Term Programmes

## YEAR 11 REVISION SESSIONS



Please find below Year 11 Revision Sessions Timetable for the Half Term Break.

Day / Date	Sessions Running		
Monday 27/05/2024	Bank Holiday No Sessions Running School Closed		
Tuesday 28/05/2024	<b>History</b> 10.00am - 12:00pm	<b>Geography</b> 10.00am - 12:00pm	<b>Physics</b> 10am - 1.00pm
Wednesday 29/05/2024	<b>Triple Science - Chemistry</b> 10.00am - 12:00pm	<b>Geography</b> 10.00am - 12:00pm	<b>Childcare</b> 12.00pm - 2.00pm
Thursday 30/05/2024	<b>Dance</b> 9.30am - 12.30pm	<b>Design</b> 9.00am - 12.00pm	<b>Construction</b> 9.00am - 2.00pm
Friday 31/05/2024	<b>History</b> 12.30pm - 3:00pm	<b>GCSE PE</b> 9.00am - 11:00am	
Saturday 01/06/2024	<b>Maths</b> 9.00am - 11.15am	<b>History</b> 11.30am - 2.00pm	

Programme of sessions every half term.

This will be communicated in advance to parents and students.

Refreshments provided.

All students who attend will receive Golden Tickets



# Saturday Tuition

- Small group tuition will take place on certain Saturdays.
- Each session will run for approximately 50 minutes.
- There will be two sessions to choose from one starting at 10am and one starting at 11am session.
- These sessions will contain no more than 10 students.
- Ran by fully qualified GCSE teachers who are subject specialists.
- **Private tutors charge up to £40 an hour for tuition, but this will be at no cost to parents/carers.**
- We are hoping to run tuition for students in English, Maths, Science, Geography, History and Spanish.

*A letter will be sent to parents with a link to an online form to register your son/daughter and we may contact you directly if we believe this is something that will benefit your child.*



# What happens when you don't?

## *A case study...*

### Student A:

*Achieved a Grade 3 in their Maths, a Grade 3 in Their English Language  
and a Grade 2 in their English Literature*

- Attendance to school 89.78%
- Attendance to Boost 87%
- Only attended one of the Saturday Maths booster sessions
- Didn't sign up to the Saturday tuition
- Missed the final Maths warm up due to being late
- 42 Behaviour points, mainly for non-completion of "Home Learning"

**In Maths this student was one mark away from a grade 4, and in English Language 4 marks away from a grade 4**



# GCSE Mythbuster

1. GCSEs **cannot** be re-scheduled in Year 11.
2. GCSEs must **start promptly**.
3. GCSEs **cannot be re-sat** in Year 12.
4. The only GCSEs that can be re-sat in Year 12 is Maths and English (alongside A Levels)
5. Parents will be **charged** for any missed exams.
6. You cannot be issued with a **predicted grade** for a missed exam.



# How best to support your child this year:

Mr Cawley – Year 11 Achievement Leader



# Key Dates

## Year 11 Calendar of Key Dates 2025/26

w/c	Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
01/09/2025	1					
08/09/2025	2	Year 11 Launch Intervention Cycle 1 Begins	Maths B&S	English B&S	Information Evening	Information Evening Golden Tickets
15/09/2025	1		Maths B&S	English B&S		
22/09/2025	2		Maths B&S	English B&S	Bespoke B&S	
29/09/2025	1		Maths B&S	English B&S	Bespoke B&S	Boost and Secure Golden Tickets
06/10/2025	2		Maths B&S	English B&S	Bespoke B&S	
13/10/2025	1	November Mocks Revision Reminder	Maths B&S	English B&S	Bespoke B&S	
20/10/2025	2		Maths B&S	English B&S	Bespoke B&S	Boost and Secure Golden Tickets
27/10/2025		October Half Term				
03/11/2025	1	Inset Day	Maths B&S Spanish Speaking Mocks	English B&S Spanish Speaking Mocks	Bespoke B&S Spanish Speaking Mocks	Spanish Speaking Mocks Intervention and B&S Cycle 1 Ends Intervention Golden Tickets
10/11/2025	2	Year 11 Mocks Tracking 1	Year 11 Mocks Tracking 1	Year 11 Mocks Tracking 1	Year 11 Mocks Tracking 1	Year 11 Mocks Tracking 1
17/11/2025	1	Year 11 Mocks Tracking 1	Year 11 Mocks Tracking 1	Year 11 Mocks Tracking 1	Year 11 Mocks Tracking 1	Year 11 Mocks Tracking 1
24/11/2025	2					Mock Exams Golden Tickets
01/12/2025	1					
08/12/2025	2					
15/12/2025	1					Christmas Celebration Event



# Attendance Matters

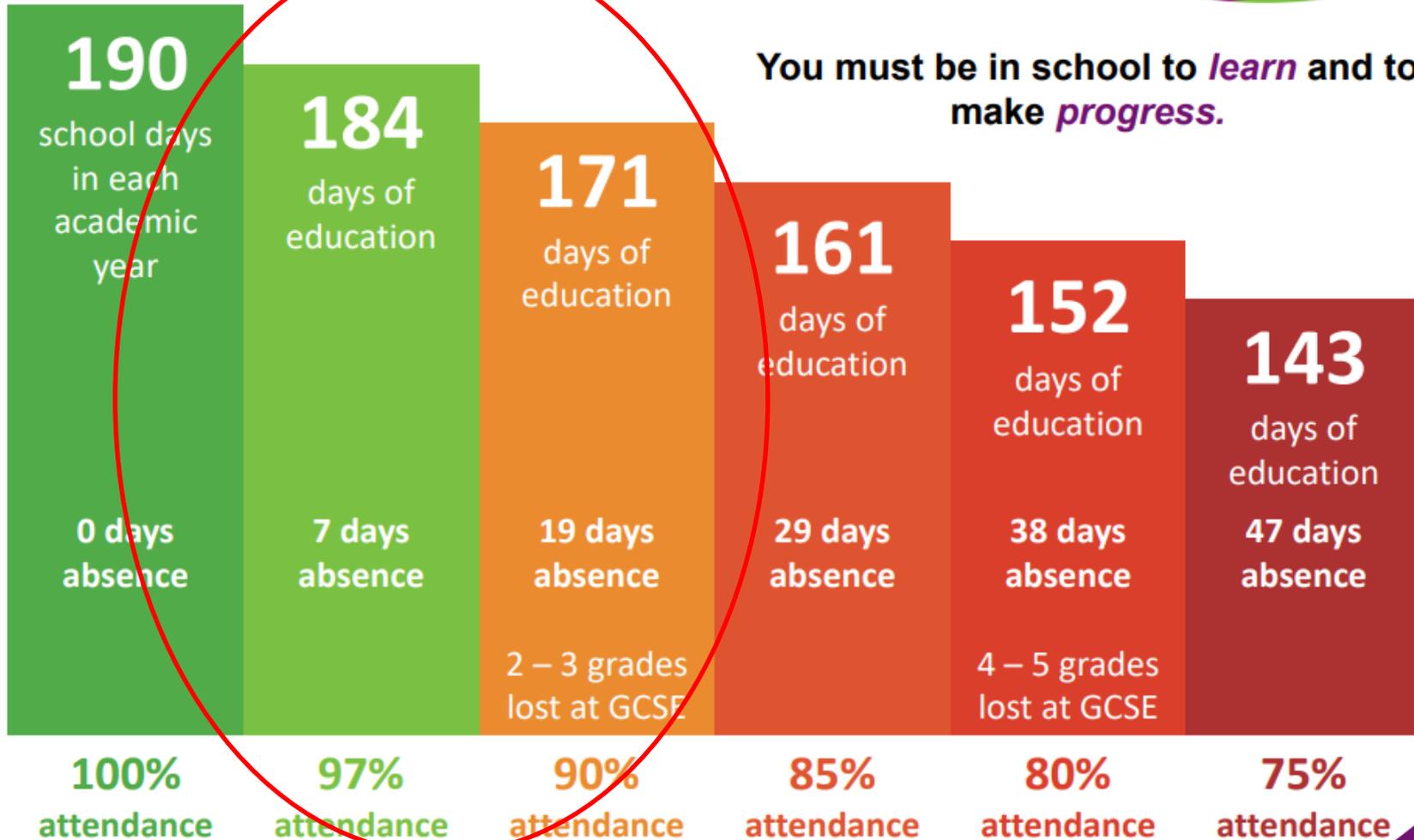
96%





# Attendance Matters

You must be in school to *learn* and to make *progress*.



# Attendance Matters

Last year, our **10 highest ranking** students for GCSE outcomes had an average attendance of **97.4%**.

Our 10 **lowest ranking** students in for GCSE outcomes had an average attendance of **87.6%**

## Attendance Matters



# Commonly Asked Questions



# Preparing for GCSEs



## When should my child start revising?

- By making the most of the opportunities provided in school, your child has already started revising for their GCSEs.
- It's never too early to start revising independently!



# Preparing for GCSEs



## How should my child be revising?

- Avoid the trap of 'busy work' – I am reading the revision guides.
- Effective revision techniques involve active processing and students should be using flash cards, knowledge organisers, whiteboards etc.



# Preparing for GCSEs



## How long should my child be revising for?

- Studying for long periods can be counterproductive as the brain becomes tired, and you can easily lose focus.
- Aim for 30–45-minute sessions with short breaks in between (no more than 3 hours of study – includes B&S).
- It is OK to have rest days.
- Consistency over Cramming.



# Preparing for GCSEs



## Where should my child be revising?

- A designated revision space, ideally in a quiet space with no distractions.
- Mirror the exam environment as far as possible – this will aid recall.
- Boost and Beyond.



# Preparing for GCSEs



How do I help my child who is anxious about the exams?  
should my child be revising?

- Explain to them what anxiety actually means.
- The more prepared they are the less anxious they will feel.
- Reassure them – effort over outcome.



# Class of 2026 Prom

The Class of 2026 Prom will be held on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June at The Suites Hotel, Knowsley and will cost £65 a ticket.

All students are currently eligible to attend prom.



# Class of 2025 Prom

## Prom Eligibility Criteria:

- 96% attendance to school this year.
- 96% attendance to Boost & Secure this year.
- 100% attendance to all internal and external exams.
- No more than 3 late marks to school a half term.
- No more than 40 behaviour points a term.

*From Monday 15<sup>h</sup> September 2025*



# Reward Event



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## Eligibility Criteria:

- 96% attendance
- 96% attendance to Boost & Secure.
- No more than 3 late marks to school a half term.
- No more than 10 behaviour points a term.
- Approximately £45 a ticket.

*From Monday 15<sup>h</sup> September 2025*



If you have any  
further questions,  
please contact the  
Academy

