

To: Year 11

Dear Parents/Carers and Year 11 Students

We are finally here!

The last week of High School for our Year 11 students ever! It is hard to believe how quickly the time has gone, and I know this week will be an emotional one not only for me but for many students, families, and staff.

As we enter the second week of exams and our final week of lessons together before study leave begins, I wanted to send a few important reminders and pieces of guidance to help support students through this period. I have also sent a separate letter regarding study leave arrangements and expectations, so please refer to that for information.

Firstly, I want to encourage all students to make the most of this final week in school. Use the time wisely, attend all lessons, ask for help where needed, and support one another. This is an important time, but it is also one to remember and enjoy together. Go into each exam with confidence, as you have worked incredibly hard to get to this point, and you have absolutely got this.

As part of our ongoing exam guidance, we have been asked to remind students and families of the following important information from JCQ:

Fake Exam Papers

It is extremely important that students do not buy or access so-called exam papers online. These are often fake or illegally shared materials and will not help students prepare effectively. Furthermore, these could result in strict penalties and loss of qualifications. The attached infographic shows students what they can and cannot do on social media.

Unauthorised Items in Exams

A reminder that unauthorised items, particularly mobile phones, smart watches, earphones, or any electronic devices must not be brought into the exam room under any circumstances. Posters outlining prohibited items have been displayed both inside and outside every exam room. Students are also reminded of these regulations before every exam begins. I cannot stress enough the seriousness of these rules, as bringing unauthorised items into an exam room can result in disqualification, even if the item is not used.

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As we move through this final week together, I would like to thank all Year 11 students for the maturity and character shown throughout the year and specifically in recent weeks. I am incredibly proud of every single one. Continue revising sensibly, look after yourselves to keep that balance between hard work and wellbeing.

Good luck for the week ahead, believe in yourselves. I can't believe it's the last week!

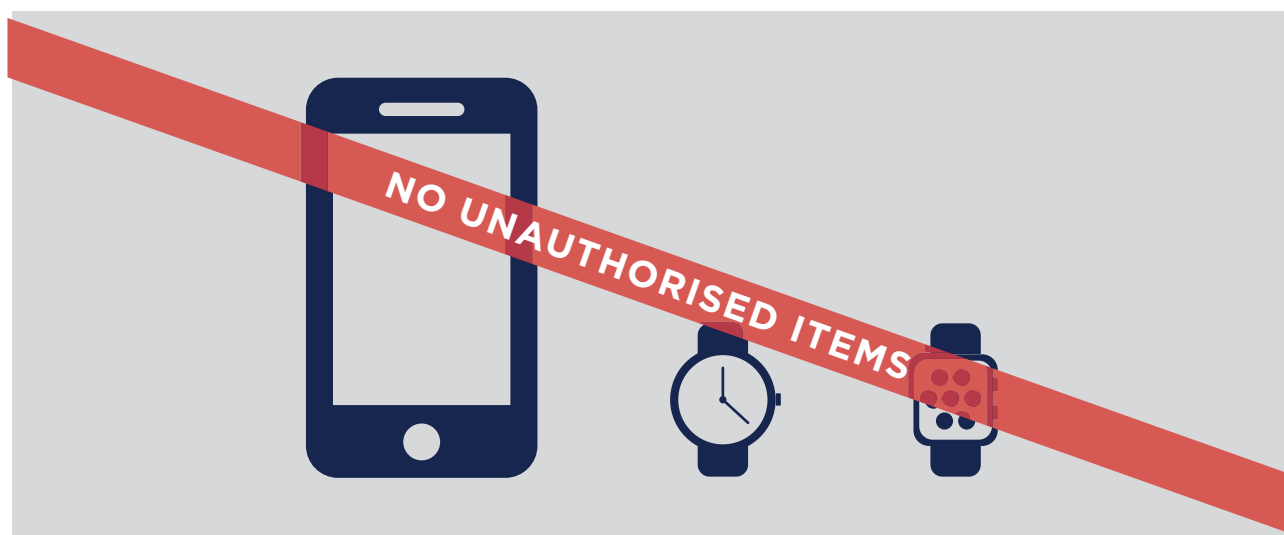
Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M Rowe". The letters are cursive and fluid, with the first letter 'M' being significantly larger and more stylized than the rest of the name.

Miss M Rowe
Head of Year 11

NO MOBILE PHONES NO WATCHES

NO TECHNOLOGICAL OR WEB-ENABLED
POTENTIAL SOURCES OF INFORMATION



Possession of unauthorised items, such as a mobile phone
or any watch, is a serious offence and could result in

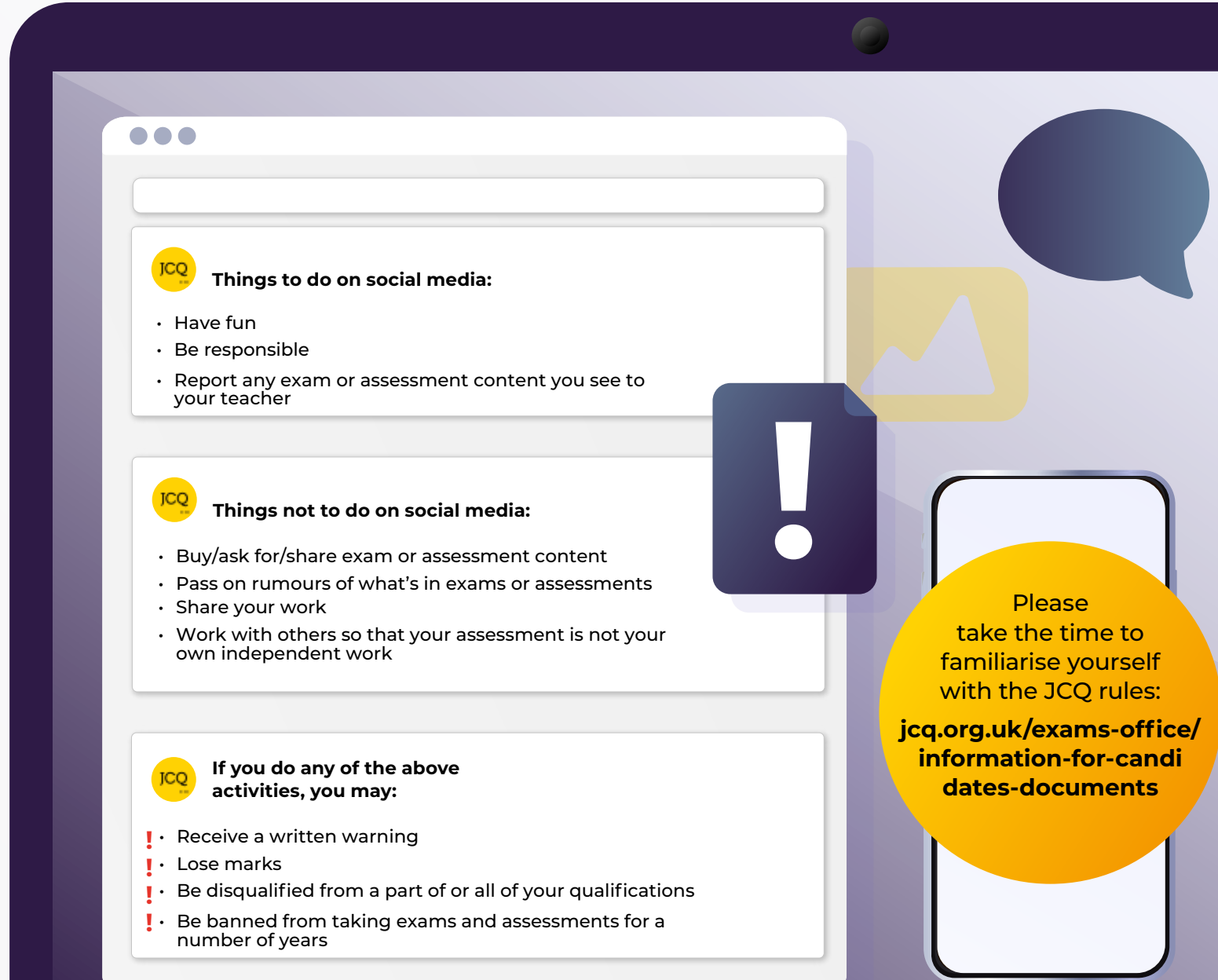
DISQUALIFICATION

from your examination and your overall qualification.

This poster must be displayed in a prominent place outside each examination room.

While we like to share our experiences online, when it comes to exams and other assessments, we have to be careful.

- Sharing ideas online can be helpful when you're studying or revising
- However, sharing certain information (see information on the right) can break the rules and could affect your results
- If you're not sure what you can and can't discuss online, check with your teacher
- If you receive exam content on social media, you must tell your teacher
- Don't be caught out by scammers selling fake exam papers



Things to do on social media:

- Have fun
- Be responsible
- Report any exam or assessment content you see to your teacher

Things not to do on social media:

- Buy/ask for/share exam or assessment content
- Pass on rumours of what's in exams or assessments
- Share your work
- Work with others so that your assessment is not your own independent work

If you do any of the above activities, you may:

- ! • Receive a written warning
- ! • Lose marks
- ! • Be disqualified from a part of or all of your qualifications
- ! • Be banned from taking exams and assessments for a number of years

Please take the time to familiarise yourself with the JCQ rules:
[jqc.org.uk/exams-office/information-for-candidates-documents](https://www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/information-for-candidates-documents)