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Dear Parent / Carer

## Year 11 Vocational exams - Art, Drama, Music, Hospitality and Catering

As part of Key Stage 4 study, students who opted for some vocational subjects have a very important assessment window coming up which you need to be aware of.

Unlike GCSE's, Vocational subjects are examined unit by unit, two of the examinations are coursework/ practical based, with one written exam. The timescales for these courses do not run in line with summer GCSE examinations, and the deadlines with the exam board is late April.

For some subjects students have been working on coursework since October, with the remaining vocational practical examinations having recently been launched.

For students in Hospitality, can I please request that you are supporting students at home where they should be practising their dishes.

Please see the attached Vocational exam timetable, this will allow students to complete the examined coursework in the set exam window.

If you have any questions, please use the school contact form to contact the teacher concerned.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Chesil Cove School





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**Year 11 PSA timetable**

	Day	Date	Tutor	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	AM BREAK	Lesson 3	Lesson 4	PM Break Events: 1:20-1:40	Lesson 5		
Week A	Monday	6/11/23				AM BREAK			PM Break			
	Tuesday	7/11/23										
	Wednesday	8/11/23		Drama PSA dropdown	Drama PSA dropdown			Drama PSA dropdown				
	Thursday	9/11/23										
	Friday	10/11/23		Drama PSA dropdown	Drama PSA dropdown							
Week B	Monday	13/11/23						Music PSA dropdown		Music PSA dropdown		Music PSA dropdown
	Tuesday	14/11/23										
	Wednesday	15/11/23										
	Thursday	16/11/23						Digital IT dropdown		Digital IT dropdown		
	Friday	17/11/23						Digital IT dropdown		Digital IT dropdown		Digital IT dropdown

Hospitality examinations will run the Week commencing Tuesday 2nd January. Each student will be given a specific day they are sitting their exam.

