Dear Parents/Guardians,

The 2020 Summerhill College Mock Examinations will begin on Monday 10th February, Feedback from parents, staff and students confirmed the value of the Mock Exams as part of the preparation for the Department of Education & Skills State Exams and they also had a significant effect on the outstanding results achieved last year in both Junior and Leaving Certificates. Attendance at these examinations is compulsory for all exam students.

The 2020 Summerhill College Mock Examinations will begin on

Monday 10th February for the Junior Cycle/Certificate students

The Junior Cert students will have five days of exams before the Mid-Term break $(17^{th} - 21^{st}$ February) and two days of exams after the break.

Wednesday 12th February for the Leaving Certificate students.

The Leaving Cert students will have three days of exams before the Mid-term break (17th – 21st February) and three days after the break in order to minimise the amount of class time missed. Any extra subjects that students are attempting outside school may be accommodated – Please consult with teachers; Mr. Damian Keenan or Mr. Declan Brennan,

These will be based closely on the highly successful format we have adapted in the last thirteen years. The Exams for the Junior and Leaving Certificate students will timetabled in the current subject blocks the students take their class in.

A timetable will be posted in the school in the coming weeks and students should take careful note of times and venues of all examinations.

There have been substantial increases in mock fees over the last two years. There is no increase in our charges this year and it is our hope to maintain this going forward.

Junior Cycle/Certificate Must be calculated

As there are more exam subjects in the Junior Cycle/Certificate, there is a small calculation needed depending on the exam level the student is attempting, e.g. there are two papers at higher level in Maths, but only one paper at Foundation level.

Subject	Higher papers	Ordinary papers
English	1	1
Irish	1	1
Maths	2	2
Business Studies	1 common paper	
Religious Education	1	1
Geography	1	1
History	1	1
Material Technology – Metal	1	1
Material Technology – Wood	1	1
Technical Graphics	1	1
French	1 common paper	
Spanish	1 common paper	
Science	1 common paper	
Home Economics	1	1
Music	1	1

Parents should note the following in relation to the Junior Cycle/Certificate as shown below:

- There are **two** papers in Maths for Higher & Ordinary levels except foundation level where there is one paper.
- Students will be provided with answer booklets & graph paper (similar to those used in the State Examinations) and are included in the cost.
- If students are in any doubt they should ask their Teachers or Year Head about the number of papers they will be sitting.
- Aural tests will be provided by teachers during normal class times before the Mock Exams.

The above fees had not changed for many years but due to prices increases by the mock exam companies that provide papers and corrections last year and there were further increases this year which we have managed to absorb. These fees include the following:

- a) The cost of papers,
- b) The cost of corrections,
- c) All postage and courier costs,
- d) All relevant language CD's and tapes,
- e) Ordinance Survey Maps,
- f) Summerhill College Answer books & graph paper,

Fees should be paid at the following times by cash, cheque or bank draft. Cheques should be made out to 'Summerhill Mock Examinations'

If you want to transfer the fees directly the a/c number is 60971290 – sort code 93-72-58

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Monday	27 th January	11.30am - 11.45am	1.50 pm - 2.05 pm
Tuesday	28st January	11.30am - 11.45am	1.50 pm - 2.05 pm
Wednesday	29th January	11.30am - 11.45am	1.50 pm - 2.05 pm

For reasons of security, fees will only be collected at these times in the School Library on the ground floor. Special individual arrangements will have to be made with the office for payment outside these times.

The exams will, insofar as possible, follow the State Examination model. In this regard students will be expected to observe the same standards of behaviour and punctuality that would be expected in state examinations.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact us at school or *info@summerhillcollege.ie*

Yours Sincerely,	
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Declan Brennan	Damian Keenan
Mock Exams Co-ordinator	Mock Exam Co-ordinator