24 April 2023

Dear Parents / Carers

The Year 11 GCSE exams season is fast approaching. We appreciate that this can be a stressful time for our students and our aim is to support and guide them as effectively as possible to reduce stress and build their confidence ahead of these crucial exams.

The advice to students has been to make use of the resources provided by the subject teachers along with their individualised guides to plan their preparation and revision.

The GCSE exams begin week commencing 15 May 2023, and the pupils will be expected to be in school on time at 8.30am, in full school uniform as normal. They will not be granted study leave, instead they will follow a collapsed timetable which priorities their most immediate exam. It is vital that they arrive on time at 8.30am to ensure that they are no late for their exam. Any student who is late may not be granted access to the exam room.

Please note, that there is a contingency day on the 28/6/2023 this is in the event of national or significant local disruption to examinations in the United Kingdom, no holiday should be booked until after this date.

I would also like to take the opportunity to reiterate the importance of students making use of their own time to support preparation for the exams, while we endeavor to support students as much as possible in school time, it is essential that time is allocated at home.

Please access the school website to find the following documents relating to examinations, JCQ Information for candidates;

All pupils will be issued with a personalised GCSE exam timetable and it is important that the pupil checks the details thoroughly. These outline the written exams but there will also be oral and practical exams prior to these.

We wish all our Year 11 pupils every success in their forthcoming GCSE examinations. Thank you for your continued support and please feel free to contact us if you have any queries or concerns

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Exams Officer 01282 681950

Yours sincerely

Exams officer

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