



2nd May 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

GCSE Exam Season Arrangements

With the beginning of the GCSE examination season upon us, I would like to clarify the arrangements for Year 11 students during this period.

In order to support your child's revision and ensure they are fully prepared for their examinations we will be delivering pre-exam revision sessions with specialist subject teachers as well as their normal lessons to ensure the best possible outcomes for their Post 16 progression plans.

There will not be a period of study leave as in previous years and all students will be expected to attend full time until Friday 26th May. After the half term break, students will be expected to attend all exams, pre-exam revision sessions and any normal timetabled lessons for subjects where they have not yet completed all their examinations. This may mean that students will not be required to attend school on a full time basis at this point and we will be using the Dining Hall annexe as a study area for students who have gaps in between lessons and exams. Students will therefore, gradually decrease the time spent in school until their final examination is complete.

I have attached an overview document that shows where external examinations are taking place (in grey) and where pre-exam revision sessions (in red) have been timetabled with specialist teachers. Please note that the registration revision sessions begin at 8.00am and we recognise that not all students will be able to arrive at this time due to public transport but we would urge that alternative arrangements are made on these days to fully support your child in gaining the maximum from these pre-exam sessions.

Students should continue to wear full school uniform whilst attending school until their final examination has been completed. Please note that all morning exams will start at 9.00am and afternoon exams at 1.20pm so it is imperative students are clear that they know which exams and pre-exam revisions sessions they must attend.

There will be two events to mark our students completing their formal education. Firstly, during afternoon of Friday 26 May we will be holding a Leavers' Assembly as a celebration for our students to mark the end of their compulsory education. Mr Hampton and the Year 11 form tutors will be leading on this event and it will also provide an opportunity to sign shirts. Secondly, the annual Leavers' Ball is taking place on Thursday 29th June at Morley Hayes 6.00pm-10.00pm which is another event for your child to look forward to after all the examinations are complete.

Should you have any queries relating to the above arrangements, please do not hesitate to contact myself or Mr Hampton. I wish your child every success in the forthcoming examinations after their hard work and dedication over the last five years.

Yours sincerely

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