



28 April 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

Year 11 Study Leave

Throughout your child's time as a student at John Flamsteed, our primary concern has always been both their academic success and well-being. As we approach their examinations, we strongly suggest that students are best placed to achieve this by remaining in the school environment for as long as possible. By maintaining regular classes, we can ensure that students receive the guidance and feedback they need from their teachers to achieve their version of remarkable. Furthermore, as we enter the examination period, adjustments to the timetable including 'drop down' exam briefings the day before or morning of individual examinations will be put in place. For this reason, study leave will officially commence on **Monday 16 June**.

If, in discussion with your son/daughter, you decide that studying at home **after May half term** is the better option for your child, we are willing to make special consideration for some students to have early study leave from **Monday 2 June** according to the following criteria:

- *Parents / carers are confident that their child is independent enough to study at home and be organised to attend all scheduled exams and pre-exam briefings.*
- *Students who are at or above their target grades across all subjects and / or have endorsement from their teachers.*
- *Students have demonstrated their independence and maturity by getting either 'Exceptional' or 'Good' for homework in all areas of their latest school report.*

All requests must be made via [Application for Early Study Leave](#) and will be judged on a case-by-case basis. The school will respond to all requests to confirm arrangements. For safeguarding purposes, we require absolute clarity so kindly ask that all requests are submitted by Monday 19 May.



Year 11 Special Assembly

A special assembly to celebrate Year 11's time as students at John Flamsteed will be held on Friday 23 May. Students will sit their GCSE English Language exam in the morning. This will be followed by a special assembly at 11.35am where Miss Martinsmith and the Y11 tutors will lead a commemoration of the year group's time at JFCS. We will then provide an opportunity for shirt signing before students leave the site at **12.25pm** to continue their studies at home before the half term break.

Students will be able to purchase food at break time and those who receive free school meals will have a meal provided before they leave the site.

In summary

Key Dates	
Monday 19 May	Deadline for requests for special consideration for early Study Leave
Friday 23 May	Y11 Special Assembly and shirt signing. Students to leave site at 12.25pm
Monday 2 June	Early Study Leave begins for some students by mutual agreement with the school
Monday 16 June	Study Leave begins

As always, we want the best for our students, and we reiterate that we believe the best route forward for most students is to remain in school under the supervision of subject specialists. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation in this matter: your partnership and support are invaluable as we work together to ensure the success and well-being of our students.

Yours sincerely



Mrs L Hilton
Head of School