



Thursday 28th March 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Year 10 End of Year Exams and Parents Evening

In order to best prepare Year 10 students for the formal exams they will be sitting next year, we have scheduled mock exams to take place during the summer term. The exams for all core subjects and History will take place over an extended period from the second week in May through to the second week in June (see the schedule overleaf). Students will sit these exams in the Sports Hall to give them experience of what it will be like when they sit their formal exams next year.

For all other subjects, exams will take place in classrooms during the two weeks immediately after the May half term. The exact schedule detailing when the exams will take place will be shared soon after the Easter holiday.

The Learning Leaders of each subject area will communicate the areas of study that will be covered in their respective exams in the first couple of weeks after Easter. It goes without saying how important it is that students take the exams seriously and prepare for them properly. It is an excellent opportunity to get used to the pressure of sitting a formal exam whilst also trying out revision strategies to find out what works best for them. The exams will also give the teachers and students a clear picture of the strengths and weaknesses within each subject area, which will help Learning Leaders and teachers inform planning for the next academic year.

There are a multitude of excellent revision resources available to students, ranging from revision guides to websites however, I would urge students to make use of Century Tech for Science, English and Maths as well as Sparx for Maths.

Following on from the end of year exams, there will be a Parents Evening which will take place on Thursday 11th July. The Parents Evening will be used by teaching staff to give specific feedback on the progress students have made this year, with particular reference to the exams they will be taking. This opportunity will also be used by staff to provide guidance on what each student needs to do to improve, as well as directing both students and their parents/carers to resources that they can utilise in the coming months to ensure all students have the very best start to Year 11. Further details on how to book appointments for the Parents Evening will be communicated nearer the time.

Yours sincerely

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Deputy Head teacher

Year 10 End of Year Exam Schedule

All core subjects and History exams will take place in the Sports Hall and all other subject exams will take place in normal timetabled classrooms, except for Art, Graphics and the French and Spanish listening exams.

Non-core exams (excluding History) will take place during the first two weeks after the May half term and they will take place in classrooms.

Core Exams and History

Date	Morning (9.00am)	Afternoon (12.30pm)
Wednesday 8 th May	Biology - Combined (1hr 15min) & Separate (1hr 45min) Unit 1 topics	
Thursday 9 th May		Chemistry - Combined (1hr 15min) and Separate (1hr 45min) Unit 1 topics
Friday 10 th May		Maths non-calculator (1hr 30min)
Monday 20 th May		Physics - Combined (1hr 15min) and Separate (1hr 45min) Unit 1 topics
Tuesday 21 st May	Maths calculator (1hr 30min)	
Friday 24 th May		History Paper 1 (1hr)
Thursday 6 th June		English Language (1hr 45min)
Wednesday 12 th June	English Literature (1hr 45min)	History Paper 2 (2hrs)