



1 April 2022

Dear Parent /Carer

## SUMMER 2022 EXAMINATIONS FIVE SCHOOL WEEKS UNTIL THE START OF THE EXAMINATIONS AND STUDY LEAVE

From Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2022, students will be on study leave. Students will only be required to come into school for their examinations. However, students who do not wish to go on to study leave or who revise more effectively in the school environment will be able to work in school between and during their examinations. Students who choose to revise at home should be revising for at least 3-4 hours each day and should use their exercise books and revision resources as well as using the revision techniques they have learnt in school. Students can also use interactive platforms such as GCSEPod and Heggarty to support their revision.

The school website has a revision page where students can access resources to support them. Please click on the link here to access this.

In preparation for the forthcoming GCSE examinations, we are maintaining support for students in our provision of teaching and learning, including opportunities for revision and exam preparation. Please continue to access the website for information on subject countdowns and to familiarise yourself with the adjustments that have been made to examinations this year using the link attached:

All Year 11 students are expected to follow their normal timetable until the Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

From the 16<sup>th</sup> May, students will be required to sign in and out of school, as there will not be a form time provision. It is imperative that students get into a good routine of signing in and out of the school building every day for safeguarding reasons and to notify us of any absences. This will enable us to act quickly to ensure that all students are prepared and in the examination on time.

During study leave, students will have access to revision seminars. These seminars will take place the day prior to an examination and will focus on the core knowledge and skills needed to execute the exam paper successfully. All students are welcome to attend these sessions to support their learning, although they are not compulsory. The highest standards of punctuality and behaviour are expected in these sessions in order to ensure that all students can take advantage of this revision opportunity.

Please read the attached booklet, which outlines study leave provision and the exam timetable. Students have received a copy of this booklet via Google Classroom, which has also been explained to students during tutorial.

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It is important that students are aware of their examination dates and times and that they check their statement of entry regularly. Unfortunately, some students have misread or wrongly interpreted examination times and this has not provided them with the best start to external examinations. Also, please ensure that your child makes a safe and sensible journey to and from school during this period and that adequate time is left for morning and afternoon journeys in case of traffic delays. If your child is concerned that they may be late to an examination as a result of traffic or any reason, please contact the school immediately to make the examination officer aware.

May we take this opportunity to extent our best wishes to your son/daughter in their forthcoming examinations.

Yours faithfully

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