



Diocese of St. Albans



ST MARY'S
CE HIGH SCHOOL

25 May 2022

Dear Parent/Carers

As we approach the end of Week 2 of the GCSE exam series, I wanted to share with you how impressed I have been with how the Year group have conducted themselves. They have shown great resilience, self-management and positivity in a time that is incredibly stressful for them. The work they have put in is paying off and it has been a pleasure to see them every morning going in confidently into their exams. Most have got themselves into an excellent routine and are arriving to school with plenty of time to get themselves settled and prepared for the exam.

Please remind your son/daughter that they should be on site by 8.30am for 9.00am exams and 1.00pm for 1.30pm exams. This allows the exams to start on time and gives all students the opportunity to sign in, place their belongings in their lockers and see any members of staff for advice.

I would also like to take this opportunity to ask for your support in reminding your son/daughter that they still need to be upholding the high standards of uniform they had before the GCSEs started. Ties and blazers are still a compulsory part of their uniform, and the expectations around nails and jewellery have not changed. Phones should not be out in the school building, unless they are being used for revision purposes in the Main Hall. They must have their lanyard for identification purposes whilst taking the exams. The vast majority continue to get this right.

Mrs Nigrelli, the form tutors and myself are still on hand to support any last minute nerves and check in with your child's well-being. If they, or you, have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Have a lovely half term, encourage your child to keep revising and thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully

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