

Dear Parent / Carer

As I am sure you're aware the summer exam season will commence for Year 11 from Tuesday 7th May. Whilst students may understandably feel nervous, a feeling shared by many parents, I can share that students have been excellent in their exam preparation and can go into these exams feeling confident and extremely well prepared.

Whilst the majority of exams take place from the 7th May, some assessments have already taken place and are on-going this week. Again, students have performed extremely well and their conduct towards them has been exemplary.

Students have now received their personal exam timetables and seating plans and further copies can be made available for parents / carers if you would like them. Students receive a personalised version as not all students sit all qualifications, but we have included an overview below of all exam dates for your guidance.

Date	AM/PM	Qualification
Tuesday 7th May	AM	Health and Wellbeing BTEC exam
Wednesday 8th May	AM	Marketing and Finance BTEC exam
Thursday 9th May	AM	Fitness BTEC Exam
Friday 10th May	AM	Biology
Monday 13th May	AM	English Language
Tuesday 14th May	AM	French
Wednesday 15th May	AM	History
Wednesday 15th May	PM	Computer Science
Thursday 16th May	AM	Mathematics
Friday 17th May	AM	Chemistry
Friday 17th May	PM	Geography
Monday 20th May	AM	English Literature
Tuesday 21st May	PM	Computer Science
Wednesday 22nd May	AM	Physics
Thursday 23rd May	AM	English Language
Thursday 23rd May	PM	ICT
Friday 24th May	AM	French
Half Term		
Monday 3rd June	AM	Mathematics
Monday 3rd June	PM	Physical Education
Tuesday 4th June	AM	Spanish
Tuesday 4th June	PM	History
Wednesday 5th June	AM	Geography
Wednesday 5th June	PM	Statistics

Thursday 6th June	AM	English Language
Friday 7th June	PM	Biology
Monday 10th June	AM	Mathematics
Monday 10th June	PM	Spanish
Tuesday 11th June	AM	Chemistry
Tuesday 11th June	PM	History
Tuesday 11th June	PM	Further Mathematics
Friday 14th June	AM	Geography
Friday 14th June	PM	Physics
Monday 17th June	PM	Statistics
Tuesday 18th June	AM	Design and Technology
Wednesday 19th June	AM	Food
Wednesday 19th June	AM	Further Mathematics

Throughout the year, we have implemented a range of interventions and support mechanisms around the usual timetable to support learning, wellbeing and maximising performance. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all families who attended our recent Year 11 revision evening and thank you for the support you have been providing from home.

As we go into the exam season, we have a number of initiatives that will encourage students to take full advantage of. these include;

Booster timetable

We have devised a modified Year 11 timetable that provides exam booster lessons for the subject that they're about to be examined in directly before each exam. This enables working with their subject teachers on the content that will be covered in the exam right up until walking into the exam rooms.

The timetable has been devised from Tuesday 7th May for BTEC examinations through until the Food and Further Mathematics exam on the 19th June. Students must attend every day through the exam season. We will share further details of students' final days in the academy as they complete their final exams in the near future. We will also share further information about the students leaving and celebration events.

Masterclasses

One major advantage of being a part of a trust is that we can share resources. Our Subject directors from across the trust are offering masterclasses which students can either watch live or access as a revision resource 24 hours after recording. The QR codes for these will be posted on our social media feeds weekly. I have attached an example of a session that runs tomorrow as well as the link to access all recordings.



<http://qaz.cx/recordings2024>

Prom Passport

Students have been given a prom passport in order to promote enrichment attendance which will in turn benefit their results. With morning, lunch and after school sessions running every day we are proud to be able to help our students with upwards of 60 potential sessions. As we know the main prize of their efforts throughout the past five years and within the upcoming exam season is their exam certificates that will open possibilities in their futures which we hope are filled with happiness. Through our own funding and support from local businesses we have organised a range of prizes for those that demonstrate exceptional effort and manage to achieve over 30 enrichment sessions. These include a Marc Darcy suit, a full pamper package on the morning of the prom and various gift cards. We have set a minimum expectation to attend the prom which includes 15 additional sessions in advance of their final examinations, excellent behaviour and at least 95% attendance.

I am also pleased to inform you that payment has been set up for the prom. We will be asking for a £45 deposit. This will be refunded if your son/daughter fails to adhere to the minimum commitments of the prom passport. We would like to know how many students are intending on coming to the prom. Please could you let us know by asking your son/daughter to complete the extremely short survey that can be accessed by scanning the adjacent QR code.



Lunch arrangements

We have modified the Year 11 lunch-time, bringing their lunch forward to 12:00. This is to support afternoon exam start times and so that students can use the time to work with adults and peers as a working pre-exam lunch if they wish, in a calm, purposeful and mature restaurant.

Pre-exam breakfast boosters

For morning exams students can access breakfast booster sessions from 7:30. This is an opportunity for final support and preparation with their subject teachers with a breakfast provided.

After-school activities

Students can access revision sessions 14:30 - 15:30 almost every day with their teachers. Sessions are promoted in lessons and all students are welcome to attend.

Revision spaces

We understand that often students wish to revise independently with friends in a quiet focussed environment at the end of the day. With immediate effect our Post 16 area is accessible at the end of the day each Tuesday and Thursday between 15:30 and 17:30. This would be a good time to use the CGP revision resources which we will be handing out for the majority of subjects over the next few days.

Earlier this week I delivered assemblies with all year groups outlining the summer exam season and our collective community vision in doing everything we can in supporting those taking life changing exams. Year 11 students are in a fantastic position at this stage and we look forward to working with them and yourselves in ensuring that they reach their potential.

As I am sure you understand, attendance to the academy is vital at this point and throughout the exams. Please contact us if you have any concerns or questions over the coming weeks. Whilst all staff at the academy can be approached for support, the key contacts for year 11 over these final weeks are;

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Thank you for your ongoing support and we look forward to working with you and your children and celebrating their achievements later in the summer.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom McLaughlin', with a period at the end.

Tom McLaughlin
Assistant Principal