

Dear parents/carers,

Please find enclosed some important information about the remaining two weeks of public examinations and attendance for Year 11 students. Should you have any queries please contact Ms Reynolds, Y11 Learning Manager.

All students must be available to attend the academy until 28 June 2023 - this has been previously communicated to you by the Exams Team. It is important that all students are available until Wednesday 28 June 2023 should there be a requirement for them to attend school for either BTEC coursework completion or in the unlikely event that there is a significant national or local disruption to an examination, which means a planned examination date has to be changed by the Joint Council for Qualifications. However, from the end of this week the vast majority of students will start study leave, which means they do not need to attend school every day.

What do I need to know about exams between 12-16 June 2023?

All students must attend every day this week unless they have a Principal-approved personalised timetable. This week students will take examinations in GCSE English Language, GCSE Chemistry, GCSE Maths, GCSE Spanish, GCSE History, GCSE Physics and GCSE Geography.

At the end of this week, students have their final full cohort examination (**Physics Paper 3**) taking place on **Friday 16 June 2023 at 9am**, followed by **Geography Paper 3** examination at **1pm** for the fifty students studying this qualification.

What do I need to know about attendance arrangements on 16 June 2023?

If your son or daughter is taking GCSE Geography, following their Physics AM examination they will attend a final revision session, have lunch and then sit their Paper 3. When this examination finishes at 2.15pm students will be able to leave the site.

If your son or daughter does not take GCSE Geography, once the Physics examination has finished at 10.15am (Combined) or 10.30am (Triple) they will be able to leave the site.

From Monday 19 June 2023, all students will be given authorised study leave. This means students are not required to attend the academy unless they are taking one of the examinations (Construction, Hospitality and Catering or Further Maths) and they must attend on the days of their exams including any planned revision sessions.

What if my son or daughter has an examination the following week?

In the following week, students studying Further Maths, Catering and Construction have their final examinations and attendance at these is compulsory for all students taking these courses. The exams are detailed below:

- Tuesday 20 June - Construction Unit 3 (PM) in 2.8
- Wednesday 21 June - Hospitality and Catering (AM)
- Wednesday 21 June - Further Maths (PM)

Revision sessions for these exams are as follows:

- Construction Unit 3 - Tuesday 20th June lesson 1, 2 & 3
- Hospitality and Catering - Tuesday 20th June lesson 4 & 5 in T2
- Further Maths - Wednesday 21st June lesson 1 & 2 in 2.1

What is happening on Monday 19 June 2023?

Those students who have met the expectations for Leavers' Breakfast have been invited to attend the academy for a morning of celebrations, shirt-signing and photo opportunities. Mrs Varley has a list of parental permissions for photos for social media or future use by the academy.

Students need to **arrive at the academy at 9am and will leave at 11am**. Ms Langley and Ms Reynolds have planned a fantastic morning including a celebratory breakfast and a year group leavers' photo opportunity. Staff will be able to come and celebrate with Year 11 students, celebrating their hard work and journey since they joined us in September 2018.

Students may bring shirts in to have signed or leavers' books. We expect students to conduct themselves in a positive manner and are all very much looking forward to marking this milestone in their education.

What if my son or daughter still hasn't secured a place for Post 16?

We are still taking applications for Post 16 in September and would be delighted to welcome students back to study in Years 12 and 13. Should students have any questions they can see either Ms Shevill (Director of Post 16) or Ms Perry (Learning Manager) to make an application. Please contact Ms Shevill directly if you would like to arrange an interview.

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What do I need to know about the Prom?

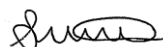
Miss Langley and Ms Reynolds have confirmed with all students whether they have met the criteria to be invited to Prom. Tickets for those eligible can be purchased via our iPay system. The event will be taking place at Burntwood Court, 6pm-11pm, students can arrive from 5.30pm.

What do I need to know about results collection on Thursday 24 August?

GCSE and BTEC results will be issued on Thursday 24 August from the Main Hall in the New Build. The Exams Team will send a separate letter detailing how students can collect their results and what to do should students be unable to attend or collect results in person.

Finally, can I take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support during the examination season. Students have done a fantastic job and you should be as proud of them as we are. We don't wish our students 'good luck' but say 'do well' because they are in charge of their own futures - and if their commitment to their exams, their friendships with each other and the kindness they show to staff is indicative of who they will become - then their futures are bright indeed!

Yours faithfully



Mrs Day
Principal