



Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Dear Parent/Carer and Year 13 Student,

Exams start next week on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May and finish Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June.

We continue to support our students directly in specific subject areas. We want students to achieve their very best. After-school and lunch time revision continue. **Students are expected to attend.**

**We really hope you will support us by ensuring your child attends the sessions they have been directed to.** There are also pre-exam booster sessions which we expect all students to attend.

For the sake of clarity, **students do not get study leave.** All students in Year 13 are expected to be in school from 8.25am to 3pm. Students can leave the premises for lunch.

Students can study in the ISC when they are not in a timetabled lesson. Being in school allows students to revise effectively near their subject teachers, should they need any support.

We completely appreciate how daunting and challenging this period is. We want to continue to work in partnership with you to support you and our students, so they achieve their very best. We must stress that students will benefit from being in school and being supported by our specialist staff. Teachers have carefully planned out their remaining lessons and really do have the expert knowledge when it comes to preparing our students for their final examinations.

Our school counsellor Mrs. Carruthers has delivered a session to students on dealing with exam anxiety, preparing for exams and mindfulness, and has offered any further smaller group or individual sessions should students need them. Students have been told to let us know if they require support and we can organise this.

We must also stress that examinations are a one off event, there is no opportunity to take them on a different date or to re-sit them should they be missed; the dates are set by the exam boards and are final.

There are some revision sessions for students taking place over the May half term holiday – these have been communicated to students and parents will be made aware of them via the Sixth Form bulletin.

If you need any further support, please do not hesitate to contact us at school.

With every good wish,

Mrs J Marshall  
**Assistant Headteacher**

Mrs J Smith  
**Head of Year 13**