

Re: End of Year Examinations and Year 10 Parents' Evening

Dear Parents and Carers,

End of year 10 exams begin on **Monday 18th June** so I am writing to ensure you are in the best position to support your child to get the best grades possible. These exams are important as they give the most accurate picture of your child's progress at this time. They will take place in the hall under exam conditions to prepare your child for Year 11.

Schedule

I have attached the exam timetable to this letter so that you can see which exams are scheduled on each day.

Attendance

Attendance is important. For the real GCSEs in Year 11 your child will not be able to resit, if they are absent they will fail that exam. Please stress the importance of attendance in these exams. In Year 10 exams if you child is away they will resit after school so that we can still assess their attainment and progress.

Revision

Your child will have received plenty of revision work and resources to help them prepare, including on Show My Homework. Further useful resources include BBC bitesize which has plenty of revision material and videos. Your child also has access to GCSE Pod with short video tutorials. Please contact me if you having problems with logging in.

Interventions

To maximise your child's attainment and progress until they sit their GCSEs we have a full programme of intervention and support during the week, Saturday classes and during holidays. The majority of these sessions will start in September, however, following the conclusion of the year 10 exams, we will commence the 'Excel in Exams' session on Fridays from 14:30 – 15:30 starting on 6th July. This session will support your child with exam technique and controlled assessments for their vocational qualifications.

Exam Results

Your child's examinations results will be presented at the **Year 10 Parents evening on Tuesday 10th July, 4:45 – 6:30pm**. This will allow you to discuss your child's achievement with their teachers and we will also give you information about moving into Year 11.

Please ask if you have any questions. You can contact your child's head of house, LFT or me.

Best wishes,
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