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Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 10 exam arrangements: 17 June – 28 June

End of year exams are almost upon us for Year 10s and play a vital role in preparing students for their real GCSE exams next summer. Exams start on Monday 17 June and run until Friday 28 June (an overview of the exam timetable is provided overleaf).

The exam period runs for two weeks and student attendance and punctuality for all exams is absolutely crucial in ensuring students maximise their achievement. Our attendance team will follow up any student absence in line with our policy and any missed exams will need to be completed.

Your child's performance in their exams will inform the intervention and support they will receive as they move into Year 11 and it's essential that students complete all of their exams to enable teachers to best support them. Revision and thorough preparation is crucial and students have already received guidance on revision skills and have been revising in lessons in the run up to the exams. As parents, please encourage your child to take these exams seriously and revise at home. These exams will be a trial run for their formal GCSE mock exams which will take place this November.

There are a number of arrangements in school to support your child during the exam period:

- **Exams will take place at 8.45am and 1:15pm. Pre-exam booster sessions** will run from **8-8:30am/12:30-1pm daily** in classrooms to support students prior to each exam. Some after school revision sessions will also run. Students will have an **early lunch at 12:10pm** throughout the exam period to enable them to attend lunchtime booster sessions. More details will be shared with students so they know which sessions to attend. Outside of exam times, students will be in timetabled lessons and they will be expected to continue to revise and prepare for their exams.
- All students will receive a personalised exam timetable, showing the date and time of each exam as well as seating and rooming information.
- All students are expected to attend a **pre-exam subject briefing** in the bleachers at either **8:30am or 1pm** on exam days whereby subject staff will deliver key final messages and ensure students are settled and ready to start their exams calmly. Students will then be walked to the exam hall.
- **Students will be allowed to leave school straight from the exam hall once afternoon exams have finished.** Students must leave the school site quietly to avoid disruption to lessons going on in school. For students attending after school revision sessions, they will return to their period 5 lesson after exams finish.

- **Breakfast club** will run as usual in the school canteen every morning from 8am offering a selection of free items in addition to food items students may want to purchase. It's important all students have eaten before morning exams to set them up for the day ahead.
- If students are attending lessons for a subject in which they have completed all of their exams, they should come to that lesson prepared with revision work for their remaining exams.

I hope this provides a comprehensive overview and thank you in advance for your support during this important exam period.

Yours sincerely,



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Yr10 exam timetable

Date	Start Time	Title	Duration
Mon 3rd June	8.45am	French + Spanish Speaking	All week
Mon 17th June	8.45am	Geography Paper 1	1h 30
Mon 17th June	1.15pm	Business Studies	1h 45
Tue 18th June	8.45am	Art	3h
Tue 18th June	1.15pm	Maths Paper 1 (non-calculator)	1h 30
Wed 19th June	1.15pm	History Paper 1 (Medicine)	1h 20
Thu 20th June	8.45am	English Literature	2h 15
Thu 20th June	1.15pm	Combined Science + Triple Biology	1h 15/1h 45
Fri 21st June	8.45am	Combined Science + Triple Chemistry	1h 15/1h 45
Fri 21st June	1.15pm	French + Spanish Writing	1h/1h 15
Mon 24th June	8.45am	English Language	1h 45
Mon 24th June	1.15pm	Maths Paper 2 (calculator)	1h 30
Tue 25th June	8.45am	Combined Science + Triple Physics	1h 15/1h 45
Tue 25th June	11.15am	Music	45m
Tue 25th June	1.15pm	Computer Science + HSC	1h 30/1h
Wed 26th June	8.45am	Design + PRE Paper 1	2h/1h
Wed 26th June	11.15am	French Listening	35m/50m
Wed 26th June	1.15pm	History Paper 2 Elizabethan England	55m
Thu 27th June	8.45am	Maths Paper 3 (calculator)	1h 30
Thu 27th June	11.15am	Spanish Listening	35m/50m
Thu 27th June	1.15pm	French + Spanish Reading	45m/1h
Fri 28th June	8.45am	Drama Component 1 Coursework	3h
Fri 28th June	1.15pm	Hospitality + PRE Paper 2	1h/1h