

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope you and your loved ones are well.

Re: End of Year assessment week

In order to be further aware of any gaps in our students' learning we aim to still have our assessment week. This is for students in Y7, Y8, Y9, Y10 and Y12.

It will run for the week immediately after the May half term (from Monday 7th June until Friday 11th June). For Y12 it will also be a couple of days into the following week (14th and 15th June) due to the greater number of exams and subjects to be sat.

The normal timetable of lessons will be suspended. The week before half term is a week 1 and the assessment week itself (with no teaching) will not 'count' as a teaching week, so upon students returning to lessons from Monday 14th June this will be a week 2.

Students in Y7, Y8 and Y9 will take the exams in their form rooms, Y10 will be in the gyms and Y12 in the sports hall.

This keeps students in their year group bubbles as we are still recommended to do. However, the arrangements are dependent upon the Covid-19 situation at that time and so may be subject to change.

For Y7, Y8 and Y9 when your child receives the exam timetable they will notice there are some gaps between test in order that students can 'catch their breath'. We strongly recommend they bring in a reading book so they can read that or revise during any non-examined time.

Students in Y10 will have sessions when their choice of subjects is not being examined. This will appear as 'Revision' and they will have allocated rooms in H block to carry out revision on their subjects.

Y12 will be on study leave and will not need to attend unless they have an exam that day and may leave once that test has been sat. If students need to be in school (such as having a morning and afternoon exam and going home in between is impracticable) study rooms will be available.

Details of the scheduling of the exams and of topics that will be covered by individual subjects will be available over the next couple of weeks.

To help students have time to carry out revision *we will not be setting homework three weeks before half term* (from Monday 10th May onwards). Please do not therefore accept from your child that they have been given 'no homework' at that time as they should be doing revision for the forthcoming exams.

Please take the opportunity to remind your child that it is a chance for them to shine and show their teachers what they have learnt.

Details of results will be given to you during June/July in reports.

Best wishes

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