

17<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Outlined below is some key information that we trust will be helpful for your child over the summer term.

## **Examination Timetables**

This term your child will be completing their GCSE examinations, in some cases this will also include their Non-Examination Assessments (NEAs) or BTEC coursework. A full examination timetable including start times, venues and seat numbers has already been sent via email to parents and to all students via their Hwb email address. An additional copy of this will be reissued on the 3rd May. To ensure that you are fully informed of your child's examinations, all of the key dates and up to date information can be located on our school website on the dedicated "Summer Examination 2024" page.

As your child enters this examination period which extends from 8<sup>th</sup> May to 26<sup>th</sup> June, we would like to remind you of school and Welsh Government expectations during this time. We are very keen for your child to prepared as they can be so they maximise their outcomes:

- Your child should attend all school sessions until Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May. There will be times when they have examinations
  during the school day and time is given both before and after examinations for them to have a break and access
  our canteen facilities. In addition, when your child has taken an examination in a specific subject they are still
  expected to attend those lessons, using the time productively to revise for other subjects, supervised by our staff.
- If your child is absent from school during the examination period then our normal attendance procedures apply and we would expect a note explaining the absence.
- From Monday 3rd June, your child will only be expected to attend lessons in subjects that they have yet to sit their examination in. Staff will support your child with revision activities right up until the examination. In addition to this, focused revision sessions (Walking Talking Mocks) are taking place and we would expect full attendance at these sessions.
- Parents/guardians should be aware that the examination boards have identified Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June as a contingency date in case any exams are cancelled. All students sitting exams this summer must be available between these dates. These are national examination dates and there is no flexibility at all. If a student is unavailable due to a pre-arranged holiday they will forfeit the examination.
- We do understand that towards the end of the examination series your child, in discussion with yourself, may wish to study at home. We would ask that, if this is the case, the school is contacted via the School Gateway App. We will then record this as an authorised absence. If we do not receive contact from yourselves, the absence will be unauthorised.

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## Leavers' Assembly - Thursday 27th June 2.30pm-3.30pm

Year 11 students will have their Leavers' Assembly on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June between 2.30 – 3.30pm. This will include a celebration of their time in the school. Please ensure your child returns any textbooks and revision resources that they have on this day.

## Results Day Thursday 22nd August 2024

GCSE exam results will be issued to students on Thursday 22nd August 2024 between 8.30am and 11.30am. Students will be able to collect their results in person where they will have the pleasure of sharing their success with friends and teachers. Staff will also be available to offer advice on next steps if necessary. A copy of the results will also be sent to student Hwb email addresses.

GCSE results are the property of the student and as such cannot be given to family or friends without the student's permission.

If a student is unable to collect their GCSE results in person they have the following options:

1. Give a self-addressed envelope (including stamp) to Reception before 17<sup>th</sup> July. The results will be put in the post during the afternoon of 22<sup>nd</sup> August.

2. Nominate another person to collect their results. The student will need to write a letter giving permission and the name of the person collecting their results. Please hand this letter in to the exam officer before 19<sup>th</sup> July.

## Independent Study and Revision Resources

A google classroom with subject revision resources for all subjects is available via Hwb

If you have any further questions regarding the above matter please don't hesitate to contact the school directly.

Yours sincerely

Mrs N Williams

Assistant Headteacher

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