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Dear Parent / Carer

## Year 11 GCSE Exams Information

I am writing to you with some important information for year 11 students and families as we enter the exam season.

### GCSE written exams begin on 07 May.

**From 07 May until 22 May all year 11 students must continue to attend school each day as normal. This includes on days when they have an exam.** All year 11 students will be following a specially planned bespoke timetable which will enable them to continue to work with their subject teachers for upcoming exams and have additional tailored revision booster sessions. This means that all students will be in revision lessons with their teachers for the maximum time available. Students will also have the ongoing support of their tutor and pastoral team during this important time.

When students have timetabled lessons where there is no written exam (art, photography, textiles, SMSC, core PE) or the exams for that subject have been completed, they will be directed to bring revision materials to revise independently, supervised by a teacher.

On Friday 22 May, students will have leaving celebrations after break. **From lunchtime on 22 May, students will be on exam leave** and will only attend school when they are attending an optional revision booster session, or they have an exam. More details about the optional revision booster sessions will be sent out before half term.

### Year 11 revision programme

Please continue to encourage and support your child to use their individual revision programme. This individual revision programme supports your child with what and when to revise and our Frog GCSE revision site has a wealth of resources for all their subjects.

### Year 11 uniform during the exam season

**Students must continue to wear school uniform which includes their year 11 leavers hoodie, when they are in school, attending booster sessions and in exams. Pupils who are not in the correct school uniform will have to get changed to sit their exams, in line with government guidance.**

Yours faithfully

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