



## **March 2023**

Dear Parent / Carer

I am writing to inform you of some key dates that are coming up as we approach the end of Year 13.

- Year 13 Mock Results Day - **Wednesday 29th March 2023**
- Year 13 official exam period- **Thursday 18th May - Monday 26th June 2023**
- Year 13 contingency exam date - **Wednesday 28th June 2023**
- Year 13 Last day in school & beginning of study leave- **Wednesday 17th May 2023**
- Year 13 Leavers Assembly and Prom - **Wednesday 5th July 2023**
- A level/BTEC Results Day - **Thursday 17th August 2023**

I wanted to give you some more detailed information about each of the above.

### **Year 13 Mock Results Day - Wednesday 29th March**

This will be held in school and students will be given instructions on how this will work. All students will have a short assembly before being given their envelope containing the results from their last set of PPEs. This will give students the opportunity to experience what their actual results day will be like in the Summer. As per as usual procedure, parents will also receive the detailed progress report containing all of this information.

### **Year 13 Examinations - Thursday 18th May - Monday 26th June**

A full examination timetable will be shared with you all very shortly. The first official exam will take place on **Thursday 18th May**, however there are some BTEC resits before this date. Students will continue to be in lessons as normal, if they are not sitting exams until the official last day of school.

Prior to study leave, if students do have an exam, they are permitted to take the AM or PM slot off beforehand, in preparation for their exam. For example if they have a PM exam, they do not need to attend in the morning or if they have an AM exam, they do not need to attend the PM slot the day before.

### **Year 13 last day of school & start of study leave**

**Wednesday 17th May-** This will be the final day of formal lessons.

Teachers may continue to run support sessions during the exam period, these will be communicated with students on a case by case basis.





All study areas will remain open for students to use. All year 13s will need to sign in with Miss Sellears if they are on site to study.

From **Thursday 18th May**, students will **only** be in school to attend their examinations or to independently study. After Half Term (from week commencing 5th June), students will be invited in for revision sessions in preparation for forthcoming exams. Details of which will be shared closer to the time. You will also be aware that we have an extensive package of revision resources and materials available for your son/daughter. I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that you can access them all on our [Revision Microsite](#)

### **Year 13 Leavers' Assembly & Prom**

Details of our Leavers' Assembly will be shared closer to the time. We have already written to you about prom, the letter can be found [here](#). If your son/daughter would still like to attend, please can all final payments be made by Monday 27th March 2023.

### **University Applications and Student Finance**

Many year 13s are currently thinking about finalising their UCAS applications. This means that they need to enter their firm and insurance choices

Firm Choice = an aspirational university choice which allows a student to strive to fulfill their potential.

Insurance Choice = a safe choice which students would be happy to go to if they don't achieve the grades to get into their firm choice.

[Here](#) is some additional information on this from the UCAS website. We would recommend that students have visited both universities, before entering them as final choices. These choices don't have to be made until 8th June 2023 for the majority of students, however I know many will want to get their applications completed before the exam period begins. We would invite students to think carefully about the predicted grades they have received on their progress reports when making these choices.

Student Finance has now opened and we would encourage students to make their applications sooner rather than later. Failure to apply on time can lead to them not receiving loans for the start of their courses. This year's advice from the government can be found [here](#).

### **Results Day - Thursday 17th August 2023**

We will send out specific information about this closer to the time. Students should be aware however that we do recommend that they are available in person to collect their results. It is particularly important that they are in the country and available to speak to



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universities if they have made a UCAS application.

Yours faithfully

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