

5th December, 2023

Dear Parent / Carer

I am writing to inform you of the Year 9 Exam week which will start on **Tuesday 12th - Thursday 14th December, 2023.**

The assessment cycle allows us to get a clear indication of your child's progress at specific points during the year. This will also allow staff to identify gaps in their knowledge and to provide guidance on how to improve, as well as giving an indication as to whether they are subjects that the student would wish to study at GCSE.

All assessments are rigorous in nature and reflect the skills needed at this stage to be successful at GCSE, with a strong focus on recall, reading and problem solving.

We ask for your support in ensuring that your son/daughter takes these exams seriously and prepares thoroughly through organised revision. You can find our revision techniques and any other useful information on our microsite ([link here](#)) - Mr Miah and I also wrote to you previously outlining the revision support that has been offered - if you would like to see this letter, please [click here](#). Subject teachers will be providing students with material to assist in their revision. If your child is unsure about the content of the assessment, they need to speak to their subject teacher directly.

Once these assessments have been completed we will use these grades identify which pathways will be the best for their GCSEs.

You will be able to see the exam timetable by [clicking here](#). Your son/daughter will be guided to the sports hall to line up & they will be able to find their exam seat by accessing Edulink & clicking on the 'exams' tab. They will be reminded about this each morning.

Their exams will take place during lesson 2, 3 and 4. Students will be in normal lessons for the remainder of the day. They therefore need to make sure that they bring the correct books and equipment in for those lessons.

If you have any subject specific questions, please speak to the teacher or the Subject Leader directly.

Important dates to be aware of:

Parents Evening: 18th January, 2024 - on site (4 - 7pm)

Options Evening: 8th February, 2024 - on site (5.30 - 7pm)

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