

1st May 2025

Dear parents/carers and Year 13 students,

With the exams having started and tomorrow being Celebration afternoon for Year 13, I am writing with a few messages that you might find useful:

1. Celebration Afternoon - Friday 2nd May

Year 13 are asked to come into school for 12.30pm, unless they are involved in the Applied Science exam in the morning. After the celebration, it is business as usual next week and things change from the following Monday as follows:

- Monday 5 - Friday 9 May: students attend registration, lessons and study lessons as normal
- Monday 12 May - Friday 20 June: students come into school for revision sessions and their lessons up to the last exam in that subject. They are not expected in registration or study periods, although all students are welcome to come in and study in the sixth form centre and the library throughout the exam period. Students will be registered in lessons and exams, and there will be a signing in sheet for students to indicate that they are in school at other times.

2. Revision Sessions

Most subjects will have teacher led revision sessions before each exam. I attach the revision timetable, which will also be shared in school with Year 13 during registration sessions next week. The expectation is that students attend revision sessions instead of their normal timetabled lessons to focus on each upcoming exam.

3. Exam Information

Year 13 have all received a useful Exam Booklet which includes important information about the exam arrangements. Please note that morning exams start at 8.50am and afternoon exams at 1pm. Please check the exam timetable very carefully and understand that alternative arrangements for getting home may need to be made if an afternoon exam is likely to finish after 3pm. This is particularly relevant if students are entitled to extra time.

4. Books for Books

After the exam period we look forward to seeing students at 10.40 on Friday 20th June when they are invited to the Sixth Form Centre to hand in their school books, calculators etc. and take away a copy of the Year Book and a Leavers' hoodie, if they have ordered one. We will also be celebrating more formally at our Leavers' Ball on Monday 23 June.

Over the coming weeks, staff will be in school as normal and we urge students to come and see us if they have any concerns about the work or any other issues. We understand that the exam period

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can be busy and are happy to talk through revision timetables or problems with the students - however overwhelming or trivial they seem.

Best wishes

Ms Mummery and Mr Harpin

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