



1 May 2024

Dear parent/families

Year 11 GCSE exams - 'preparing to perform'

As we reach the start of May, we are moving rapidly towards the start of the formal GCSE schedule. Last week our Art cohort coped magnificently with their practical exam. This week sees many of our students undertake the speaking component of their Foreign Language exam, including some young people taking exams in their home language. We are very proud of them all.

Revision – in school and at home

We continue to offer daily after-school revision sessions. These sessions run from 3:00pm to 4:00pm daily, focusing on key subjects and exam strategies to boost confidence and performance. Please encourage your child to attend and excel. The attendance has been a bit mixed at these sessions, but it is incredibly important now that students attend where possible. It is never too late to start revising!

W/B: 29th APRIL - WEEK A				
MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
MATHS	SCIENCE	No Booster	RE	GEOGRAPHY FOOD & NUTRITION

W/B: 6th MAY - WEEK B				
MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
BANK HOLIDAY	MFL CONSTRUCTION DRAMA	RE (Exam Thursday Morning)	SCIENCE (Exam Friday Morning)	ENGLISH (Exam Monday Morning)

W/B: 13th MAY - WEEK A				
MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
MFL (Exam Tuesday Morning) BUSINESS STUDIES (Exam Tuesday Afternoon)	HISTORY (Exam Wednesday Morning) COMPUTER SCIENCE (Exam Wednesday Afternoon)	MATHS (Exam Thursday Morning)	SCIENCE (Exam Friday Morning) GEOGRAPHY (Exam Friday Afternoon)	ENGLISH (Exam Monday Morning)

W/B: 20th MAY - WEEK B				
MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
COMPUTER SCIENCE (Exam Tuesday Morning)	SCIENCE (Exam Wednesday Morning)	ENGLISH (Exam Thursday Morning)	MFL (French Exam Friday Morning)	MATHS

There is a supervised study room (C1) open from 07:40 to 08:40 every morning. Our 'Revise to 5' sessions are running daily (14:50 to 17:00) in C1. Computers are available in both sessions should students wish to use them.

We are planning a schedule of revision sessions for various subjects over the half term holiday. These sessions, led by our dedicated staff, will be designed to reinforce key concepts and exam techniques. Your child should attend these sessions to build up their confidence and enhance their academic performance.



Exam timetable and student friendly timetable

Your child has been given a final version of their exam timetable. We have asked them to check through it and would ask you to familiarise yourself with when their exams are. They are aware that they must be in school on time every day in the build-up to the exams, and on the day of each of the exams. Late arrival may result in disqualification from the exam. Morning exams will start at 9am. Students must arrive in school ready for form time at 8.40am. Afternoon exams will start promptly at 1pm. Students will have lunch before the exam starts.

I have attached an overall schedule of exams for you to refer to at the end of the letter. The students have been given a copy of this too.

Creating a study schedule for home

You can help your child by ensuring they have a study schedule for home. Your child should assess which subjects they need to prioritise and allocate study time for each subject. You can help by ensuring they stick to the schedule, encourage regular breaks and a balanced lifestyle and celebrate your child's achievement in studying daily. If you would like a blank copy of a study schedule, please ask your child to collect one from Mr Bonnesen.

Being equipped for examinations

Whilst we will provide students if needed with equipment to take their exams, we want to encourage our students to have their own stationery and calculators. This is to help ensure students are comfortable and know how to use the equipment. All pencil cases taken into the examinations room must be clear. Calculators will be reset prior to them being used in an exam.

If you have any questions or concerns relating to exam preparation, or your child's exam timetable please contact Mr Bonnesen (Assistant Headteacher – bonnesenm@asfa.allsaintsmat.org) or Mrs McKechnie (HOY – mckechnies@asfa.allsaintsmat.org).

Thanks for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



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