

May 2018

Year 9 Summer Exams

Dear parent/ guardian

With the Summer examinations for Years 11 and 13 due to start in the next couple of weeks in the Sports Hall, we feel it is also important for students in Year 9 to experience sitting exams in this environment. It allows the students to understand how the process works and to also start to become accustomed to the atmosphere of an exam session in preparation for when they sit their own GCSEs in a couple of years' time.

Students are sitting internal exams in English, Maths and Science in the exam room with other subjects undertaking end of year tests, where appropriate, during lesson time.

As you will see from the table below, the exams are spread over a number of days as we are using the Exam Hall when there are no GCSE examinations taking place.

Date	Start Time	Subject (duration)
Monday 14 th May	9.15am (attend 20 mins of lesson 1)	English Language Paper 1 (1¾ hrs)
Tuesday 15 th May	9.15am (attend 20 mins of lesson 1)	English Language Paper 2 (1¾ hrs)
Monday 21 st May	9.00am	Maths Non calculator (1½ hrs)
Monday 21 st May	2pm	Science (1 hr)

Students will be expected to attend school as normal on the exam days and will be in their usual lessons when not in the exams. The exams will provide staff with evidence on student progress as well giving the students invaluable experience of taking tests in exam conditions.

Yours faithfully



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