

20 May 2024

Dear Families

Thank you for your ongoing support of your child as they sit their external examinations – they have had a positive start to exam season. Please continue to ensure they attend the Academy on time (7.56am) every day, wearing full uniform and with a clear bottle of water with the label removed. Drinking water throughout the exam is important as the weather can be quite warm in May. Please also ensure that your child has an early night and are eating breakfast so that they have the fuel and energy to perform well in the exams.

It is of the utmost importance that your child attends every day. Whilst we understand that your child may be ill at some point, it is important to emphasise that if a child misses an exam, there is not an opportunity to re-sit the exam; they would get a U for that exam paper. We cannot emphasise enough the importance of 100% attendance from now on.

Thank you also for your support of your child's revision – after school intervention is still taking place and there are intervention sessions taking place during the Half Term Holidays. Please see the schedule for this overleaf.

Your child should also be doing plenty of revision at home, using their revision guides, past papers, recommended revision websites, Knowledge Organisers and booklets from the Academy. Research suggests that the optimum revision pattern is 25 minutes working, followed by a 5 minute break (and then repeated.) It is also really useful if your child puts their mobile phone in a separate room whilst they study.

Your child will continue to attend the Academy for the full Academy day throughout exam season up until Wednesday 12 June. When not in exams, we have arranged important revision sessions for the subject that they are being examined on the next day. We used this format last year, and the students and their families found it highly beneficial.

The leavers' assembly will be period 4 on Wednesday 12 June. Students will leave after this. We expect students to revise from home on Thursday 13 June.

The final day of exams is Friday 14 June. Those students who study Geography need to arrive for school as normal at 7.56am. After their exam they will stay in school and do some Physics revision. All other students will need to come to school for 12.20pm to have lunch and line up for the Physics exam at 12.50pm. Students will need to be in full uniform for these final exams.

Please can students bring in to school all their revision books so we can distribute to year 10.

Your faithfully

K Paddy

Mrs K Paddy
Vice Principal



May Half Term Intervention Sessions

Date	Session(s)	Times	Students to Attend
Tuesday 28 May	Higher Spanish	10.30am - 12pm	Higher Tier Spanish students
	Foundation Spanish	12.30pm – 2pm	Foundation Tier Spanish students
	English	10.30am - 12pm	This revision session is open to all year 11 students who are not taking part in the Spanish Higher revision session. There will be a focus on consolidating skills for students aiming to secure a grade 4 or 5.
Wednesday 29 May	Geography	10.30am - 2pm	Geography students (all welcome)
	History	10.30am - 2pm	History students (all welcome)
Friday 31 May	Higher Maths	10.30am - 2pm	Higher Maths – specific students will be contacted
	Foundation Maths	10.30am – 2pm	Foundation Maths – specific students will be contacted