



29 April 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

As we enter the GCSE examination period, we would like to thank you for your continued support. It is important that we all continue to encourage Year 11 students in the coming weeks. It is a particularly challenging time for them and we will be working closely with them in school to ensure they are fully prepared and ready for each examination.

This week, all Year 11 students have received their personalised examination timetable which details when each examination is to take place. It is important that they keep this document safe and are fully aware of when they have examinations and are prepared accordingly. Morning exams will commence at 9.00am and afternoon exams will commence at 1.00pm. Full attendance at exams and punctual arrival is critical so that students have the best possible opportunity to achieve the best possible grades. If there is any reason why a student cannot attend an exam it is **essential** that you contact us **immediately** to let us know. In the event of illness which prevents a student attending an exam, we would recommend that the student be taken to the doctors and a medical note requested explaining the situation. A self-certification form can then be completed which is submitted to the exam board for their consideration.

During the exam period, lessons will continue as normal with a focus on revision, exam technique and preparation. Students should use these lessons to ensure they feel confident in every aspect of their exams. It is crucial that they make sure they are clear on every aspect of the exams they will be taking. Once exams are completed, the subject lessons will become supervised study time when students can revise for their remaining exams.

The physics exams on Thursday 23 June will be the final exam for most students. After that exam they will not need to be in school unless they have a revision session or another exam. After the physics exam we will be having a Leavers Assembly and celebration. This will take place from 11.15am - 12.30pm and will be an opportunity for students to celebrate their time at school. Lunch will be provided and students who have ordered leavers' hoodies will be able to collect them.

Thursday 30 June is, of course, our prom which will be another chance for students to celebrate the end of the exams and their time at Graham School. Preparations for this are well underway and we are very much looking forward to this event.

GCSE results day is Thursday 25 August. Students will be able to collect their results from 9.30am. We will share further details with you about results day towards the end of the exam period.

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Wishing you and all students the very best for the exam period and please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries at all.

Yours faithfully

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