

RMCG/KRE

12th May 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

We have finally made it to the start of the exams! The GCSE exam series begins on Monday and will continue through to mid-June. Our Year 11 cohort seem to have risen to the challenge and I approach the exams full of hope for them all.

As described in previous letters there is no study leave for exams and school will continue as normal until we get to the last full year group exam on Monday 19th June. Year 11s must attend in full school uniform until this point.

GCSE Exams are conducted under the rules and routines of Ofqual and JCQ (Joint Council for Qualifications). It is important that students always follow the instructions of invigilators and exam staff. If there are any issues in the exams it must be reported to JCQ and they will decide what happens.

Students must not have devices such as mobile phones or smart watches. They must not communicate with anyone else in the room. They cannot bring notes in. Any bottles or pencil cases must be clear plastic. We have been practising these routines throughout the Mock periods and I do not anticipate any issues.

Students should attend the academy by 8.00am for the exam period. Breakfast items will be available for students. Punctuality to exams is vital and we do not want to get to a situation where exams have to be delayed for the whole cohort due to one student. Next week we have exams and cram sessions on the following days:

Monday AM	Tuesday AM	Wednesday AM	Thursday AM	Friday AM
Engineering	Biology	English Literature	History	Maths Non-
			,	Calculator
Students in at 8.00am, they should put bags and	Students in at 8.00am	Students in at 8.00am	Students in at 8.00am	Students in at 8.00am
coats in lockers	Students in Cram Session	Students in Cram Session	Mrs James will be in the	Students in Cram Session
immediately	8.35am – 8.55am	8.35am – 8.55am	Atrium for early revision	8.35am – 8.55am
Mr O'Roarty requests that all Engineering students go straight to his classroom for Cram Session	Classes should go to the following teachers in the Science Department: In department:- LL - 11A1 LL - 11A2 GPS - 11A3 ACO - 11B1 JEF/ EG - 11B2/11B3	Students to go to their normal Form Room, Mrs Craig will lead the Cram session to all students via Teams	Students in Cram Session 8.35am – 8.55am History students go to F34 and F35 with Mrs James and Mr Murray for Cram session	Students will go to Maths Department where they will be signposted to the relevant classroom for Higher or Foundation Support with Maths teachers.
Monday PM	Tuesday PM	Wednesday PM	Thursday PM	Friday PM
No Exam	No exam	PE Students have lunch from 12.25 – 12.50 Students in Cram Session 12.55 – 1.25 All GCSE PE students should go to F28 with Mr Evans.	No exam	Computing Students have lunch from 12.25 – 12.50 Students in Cram Session 12.55 – 1.25 All Computing students should go to F29A with Mr Zasadzinski.

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I will continue to give you weekly communications for the upcoming exams and cram sessions. All that remains to say is to thank you for your support this year and to the staff who have worked incredibly hard for your children. I wish all Year 11s the best of luck and I hope their hard work pays off.

Yours sincerely

Richard McGuire

Principal