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Dear Parent/Guardian

The Year 9 exams week is taking place between Monday 29th April and Friday 3rd May 2024 as advertised at the start of the academic year in the curriculum booklet for Year 9. During this time students will sit exams in each of their GCSE subjects based on the areas they have studied so far in their courses this year.

Exams will take place in classrooms during timetabled lessons and are a preparation for the practice and final exams in Year 10 and 11 which will take place in the Main Hall, The Wave or the Sports Hall. In order to further support and prepare this year group for sitting formal exams they will sit one Maths exam and one English exam in the Main Hall or Sports Hall. We are aware this year group did not sit their SATs exams so have less experience at this which is why we are building in this experience for them. Individual seats and rooms for these will be provided for each student and shared on INSIGHT.

These English and Maths exams in the bigger exam venues will require students to go straight there instead of registration in order to be settled in time for the exam to start.

In preparation for Year 9 exams week, students will have a **study skills focus week between Monday 15th April and Friday 19th April 2024**. This is an opportunity for each subject to spend a lesson focusing on subject specific exam techniques and revision strategies.

The Year 9 Exams Assembly takes place on **Wednesday 17 April 2024**. As part of this assembly students will be made aware of the JCQ exam requirements and the equipment required for their examinations. Your child will need a:

- Black pen (students are to write in black ink only for examinations)
- Pencil
- Scientific Calculator
- Ruler
- Protractor
- Compass

Alongside our in-school exam preparation we also have the following videos to help you support your child in the lead up to their exams:

Artsmark Platinum Award Awarded by Arts HALLA

Coping with exams

How to revise effectively

INVESTORS

arts colleges



Please also refer to the exams access arrangements and medical needs document linked here

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact your child's Tutor or Mr Kinnaird, Year 9 Director of Progress and Achievement.

Yours faithfully

Mrs A Warner Assistant Headteacher













