

CJW/jr
27 April 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian

As the Exam season is nearly upon us I wanted to write to you in order to clarify the key events between now and when the Year 11 students finish their final GCSE exams. As I am sure you are aware there are ESP sessions run after school, as well as other interventions being put in place to support your son/daughter in the run up to the exams and I am really pleased with how the cohort have approached their studies and revision.

Shirt signing is one of the ways students love to start to celebrate the ending of their time with us at Wildern and will take place during the afternoon of Friday 12 May 2023 and this will be done during a designated time of the school day, and we do not expect students to engage in this prior to that.

Following this the GCSE exams begin on Monday 15 May 2023 and run through until Tuesday 20 June 2023. From Monday 15 May 2023 students will switch from their normal full timetables onto their seminar timetables, each will be personalised and sent home so that you are fully aware of the requirements and expectations. Seminar timetables will be printed and given to students by 8 May 2023.

During this time students will be expected to attend revision seminars, which we have attempted to run as close to the exams as possible and also some lessons for their subjects which have their exams later on in the exam cycle. This will be clearly shown on these new personalised timetables. We will also be offering extra revision sessions during the May half term, which will again be personalised and sent home to you. The following link includes all of the ESPs sessions, the GCSE exam timetable, other excellent revision resources and guidance -

[Year 11 Exam Information](#)

Our expectations for the exams are really clear and students are very aware, but we do ask for your support in ensuring that all students arrive in plenty of time, in the correct uniform and with the correct equipment.

Other key dates:

Friday 12 May - Final Assembly P4 and Shirt Signing P5

Monday 15 May - Tuesday 20 June - Exam Window

29 May - 2 June - May Half Term Revision

Thursday 8 June (pm), Thursday 15 June (pm) & Wednesday 28 June - Exam Contingency Days

Wednesday 21 June - Book Return, Collection of Year Book, Hoodies & Prom Tickets

Friday 7 July - School Prom

If at any stage you have any queries or questions please do not hesitate to contact either your son/daughter's tutor or myself.

Yours faithfully

Mr C Wood

Acting Director of Progress and Achievement - Year 11