

March 2026

Dear families

### Year 11 Summer Exams May - June 2026

I am writing to inform you about the upcoming Year 11 GCSE examinations, which will take place from Monday 27 April to Tuesday 16 June. These exams are the culmination of five years hard work and successful outcomes will open the door to your child's future success. We want to continue to work together in the remaining weeks before these exams and throughout the examination period to ensure every student in Year 11 has the support to achieve highly.

### Intervention and Revision Support in School

New intervention groupings will begin from Monday 30 March. If your child is involved in after school intervention, please ensure they attend every session. Interventions are a vital aspect of the tailored support we offer to ensure that students make the best possible progress, and attendance should be prioritised over other commitments, especially so close to the exams. We offer all Year 11 students a space for study during lunchtimes and after school in the Unity Community. Please encourage your child to make use of this support, particularly if there are subject areas that your child feels they need additional help with. Students will have holiday revision and homework set for all subjects, which will come from subject teachers.

### Holiday Revision Sessions

To support students in their revision, we will be running two revision days during the Easter holidays, alongside two Super Saturday revision sessions in May. Each day will provide a carousel of sessions in different subjects. Students need to arrive five minutes before the start time of the session. Students may wear their own clothes and should bring their pencil case with them. Please complete this form to sign up for the Easter revision sessions by Friday 3 April 2026 and May revision sessions by Wednesday 6 May: [Year 11 Easter and May Revision Sessions 2026 – Fill out form](#). You can also use the QR code below.

Date	Time
Tuesday 7 April	09:30-13:30
Wednesday 15 April	09:30-13:30
Saturday 9 May	09:00-13:00
Saturday 16 May	09:00-13:00
Tuesday 26 May	09:30-13:30



### Supporting Your Child at Home

Please help your child to prepare for their GCSE Exams by:

- Reinforcing the importance of prioritising revision and study at this time, and highlighting how purposeful effort now can lead to significant longterm benefits for your child's future. Revision and study should be prioritised over other activities at this vital point.
- Providing them with a quiet space to revise and encouraging them to leave electronic devices elsewhere whilst working.
- Discussing their upcoming exams with them and encouraging attendance to after school and half term intervention sessions.
- Guiding them to use their revision materials, and offering to 'quiz' them on their knowledge using these materials.
- Talking to them about any worries they may have, and praising them for revision they have completed.

### End of the exam period

We look forward to celebrating the end of a successful exam period with Year 11: our Leavers Assembly will take place after the last exam on Tuesday 16 June and Prom on Thursday 25 June. Please note that the official JCQ Contingency Day is Wednesday 24 June, and all students should be available to sit an exam on this day in the event of an exam board needing to reschedule an exam. The contingency day is held in reserve for national or significant local disruption, and exams may be moved to this date if necessary. Whilst this is incredibly unlikely, we must make you aware of this date and suggest that holidays and other activities are arranged after this date.



Thank you for your continued support in helping your child prepare for the most important stage of their education yet. Working together, we can ensure that every student enters their GCSE exams with confidence and resilience. If you have any questions or would like further information about anything related to exams, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully



Ms S Clynes  
**Vice Principal**



