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**Y11
Final GCSE
Preparation**

Timetables

- o Full External Exam Timetable: MLE (Subjects/Exams)
- o Exams and Revision Period Document: Same place on MLE and on noticeboard outside Mrs Warde's Office – **with rooming of revision sessions**

Put your own colour coded copy somewhere where everyone can see it at home.

The Next Two Weeks

- o Normal lessons except for when you have an exam or a timetabled revision session
- o All students in school full-time and registered
- o For subjects that have an early exam and the course is finished, you will still go to that timetabled lesson and be registered but you will revise independently, so come prepared!
E.g. Urdu, Drama, GCSE PE, Textiles...

After Half Term

- You **must come in for your exams and timetabled revision sessions** - no more timetabled lessons
- Revision sessions will be registered and you/parents contacted if you don't attend. Remember: certain factors (including conduct and attendance) will be used to decide on the final Leavers' Ball list.
- Revision sessions will be arranged differently to normal lessons: you may not be with your own teacher and almost certainly won't be in your usual classroom so check the rooming.

Revision *after half-term* in and around school

- o You can come into school to revise any time when it is open **but you need to be working**
- o You can use the following spaces:
 - o Dining Room ('sociable' work)
 - o Library (silent work)
 - o Breakout Area **IF** you are working sensibly and not littering
 - o Talk to the Year Team if you need a quieter space to revise and we will find you one

If you are not working, expect to be asked to leave.

The Night Before...

- Final revision of **key points and main ideas**
- Double-check timetable – which exams and what times?
- Equipment Check:
 - **BLACK pens**, pencil, ruler, water bottle (**clear, uncoloured and no label** – no ‘sports’ bottles), Calculator? Colours? Texts needed (English Literature)? **All in clear plastic pencil case, bag or loose.**
 - Comfortable and **WARM** clothing - no coats or jackets in the exam room.
- **Check your route/transport** – road resurfacing and closures could add valuable time onto your journey.

Watches...

- You **can** have a watch in the exam room **apart from a smart watch** – if you have one of these, you **must** hand it in to reception.
- If you have any watch in the exam room, you must take it off your wrist and put it on the desk in front of you. **If it has an alarm function it must be OFF. If an alarm goes off in the exam room, this may need to be reported to the exam board.**
- You **must** be prepared to allow an invigilator to come and touch the screen of your watch to check it isn't a smart watch. If you are not prepared to have this happen, leave your watch at home or at reception!

On the Day...

- Arrive on time - **at least 15 minutes early** - so that you can:
 - Check your exam room and the bag room on the noticeboard outside Mrs Warde's office (don't confuse 'hall' with 'sports hall').
 - Buy equipment from Y11 Office if needed.
 - Go to the toilet/fill your water bottle – you can't count on being able to go to the toilet in an exam.
 - **Hand in your phone/smart watch and other valuables at the office.** Do NOT leave these in your bag.
- Store the school's number in your phone so you can ring ahead if you are late for any reason:

0114 2662518

Conduct and Behaviour

- Follow your excellent trial exam record. This is the real thing so don't do anything that could get you disqualified from an exam:
 - Exam Conditions *as soon as you enter and until you leave* the exam room
 - This means **no communication with others** except invigilators
 - No bags, coats, hats, phones or other electrical equipment
 - Sit quietly, facing the front when you have finished
 - Leave very quietly in case others nearby are working

If you are unwell...

- Try to come into school if you can BUT ensure that a parent/carer contacts school immediately to let us know if you really are too unwell to take your exam. **You must see a doctor and ask for a doctor's note.**
- If you are in school already, come and tell a member of staff as soon as you can.
- If you are in an exam, put your hand up to tell an invigilator.

During the Exam...

- You are expected to stay in the exam room, **except for very exceptional circumstances** or if you have a medical condition (the following does not apply to you!)
- You will be expected to go to the toilet/get water before the exam starts.
- If you need the toilet in an exam, you cannot assume that someone will be able to take you straight away as invigilators now have to send for available Senior or Pastoral staff to do this
- If you have particular medical needs that will affect you when you are in an exam, a parent/carer should inform the school and provided supporting documentation

Life After Exams

- Yearbook: just being finalised and will be ready after Half Term. Must be pre-ordered over the next fortnight
- Leavers' Ball: Thursday 19th June at 7pm
- Results Day: Thursday 24th August at 10am
 - Anyone collecting for you MUST have signed letter from you naming them and MUST bring photo ID to prove who they are
 - Box in reception for postal results. You need an envelope with: Your FULL NAME, the ADDRESS, a STAMP! **We cannot email results.**

Leavers Ball and Yearbook

- o Tickets on sale on Monday
- o Yearbook (must be pre-ordered) £6
- o Leavers Ball Ticket £10
- o Combined Offer £14

- o Free Ball ticket for Top20 on Conduct Points
- o Net negative students won't be able to buy a ball ticket until their scores turns positive
- o If you owe the Y11 office or library money for overdue books this will be added on.

What now?

o Use ALL the resources available to you: revision sessions are STILL under-attended. Teachers are STILL reporting that homework is being missed.

*You can't afford not to apply **all** your efforts now...*

o Check with your teachers WHAT and HOW to revise

o Make or refine your PLAN for the weeks ahead

o TALK to us if you're unsure about anything.

Remember: A little pressure and anxiety is 'normal' and expected but if you are struggling to cope, we need to know so we can help. **GOOD LUCK!**