



GUISELEY SCHOOL

28 March 2023

Dear Year 13,

Tutors, subject staff, Mrs Button and I, would like to take this opportunity to wish you all good luck for your forthcoming examinations. Prepare thoroughly and carefully for your examinations but also remember a healthy lifestyle, plenty of rest and down time are all essential to produce your best performance on the day. Late nights, caffeine laden drinks and last minute cramming are not the answer!

As you will know the first GCE A level exam is on the 17 May and many of you will have an exam before the summer half term starts. Due to this early start, lessons will continue as timetabled until Friday 26 May. This has been arranged to give you the maximum amount of contact time with your staff who will be able to support you in your revision. You are expected to attend all lessons until the 26 May. The exception to this is if you have an exam, where you may take the day before to prepare at home or you can come into school to prepare. After the 26 May you will only need to attend school when you have an exam.

After half term, although the teaching schedule is complete, teachers will be available to offer guidance and support should you need this and in many cases offering revision lessons. You should discuss the availability of these sessions with your subject teachers.

Each year there are examination contingency days. These are days which are planned into the schedule, by the exam boards, in case there is a need to re-arrange examinations due to significant local and national disruption. **You must be available for these days.** For the June 2023 exams, there are three contingency sessions. These are on Thursday 8 June 2023 and Thursday 15 June 2023. The standard contingency day remains at the end of the timetable being scheduled on Wednesday 28 June 2023.

There are very few school days until the first GCE exam, 100% attendance is vital in order for subject staff to support and prepare students for their exams. We are aware that the examination period and it's build up can be a time of great stress for a lot of students, so we will endeavour to support all students in the best way possible throughout.

We want to take this opportunity to highlight the importance of early and effective revision. Underpinned by current research we have developed a range of revision opportunities and resources that are designed to reduce the need for "cramming" and therefore improve both the wellbeing of students and promote positive outcomes. We would therefore like to remind you of the following that are in place to support effective exam preparation.

- School website <https://www.guiseleyschool.org.uk/revision>
- Weekly revision schedules shared with students via Teams
- Weekly revision tips that will be shared with Parent/Carers via e-mail and text

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