

May 2022

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

Year 11 Examinations Information

The final examinations for Year 11 students begin on Monday 16th May. In advance of this, the information below outlines some key arrangements to be aware of during this period.

Students have been given a timetable for their examinations and should arrive no later than 8.30am for morning examinations so that they can enter the exam hall by 8.45am. Students will need to be lined up by 12.45pm for afternoon examinations so that they can start by 1pm. On the days when there is an afternoon exam, Year 11 will have an early lunch at 12.10 to accommodate the timing of the session. Once an afternoon exam has finished, students will be expected to leave the school site. Any students who are waiting for school transport can study in the library until the end of the normal school day.

In addition to the work that we have done to prepare students for their final exams, we will be running pre-exam briefings in most subjects. These are short, sharp 20-minute sessions before the beginning of exams to outline key points ahead of each one, such as which sections to answer, how long to spend on each part of the exam and other key information. They are not formal revision sessions and won't be used to add additional stress ahead of the exam – quite the opposite – the briefings will offer last-minute guidance and reassurance to students. Morning briefings will start at 8.20am and afternoon briefings will start at 12.15pm – they will be in Lees Hall unless stated otherwise on the timetable on the school website.

Students have had a range of assemblies during the year to support them in making preparations for their final exams and a variety of information, including the exam timetable and revision support materials, can be found on the school website here: <https://chaseterraceacademy.co.uk/our-school/exams/> and here: <https://chaseterraceacademy.co.uk/school-life/revision/>

Students are expected to attend school full time and as normal during their examinations up until May half term. After May half-term, week beginning 6th June, students are only expected to continue to attend for lessons where they have not yet completed their final exam in that subject. Students will need to sign in at main reception when they arrive for lessons and out upon leaving for fire evacuation and safeguarding reasons.

Please note that the 20th June is an Inset day. The exam for this day will take place as scheduled and students will be able to access the site through the pupil gates. Please note that there will be no buses running on this day.

Students should report to their designated room in good time for their exams and should absolutely not be late. Late arrival could mean that your child is unable to sit their examination. Each student has been given a timetable, however, an electronic version can be downloaded from the link above.

Where students have an exam in the morning and one in the afternoon, they can go home in between exams after the half term break. For students who continue to use school transport, the library will be available in between exams for quiet study.

The leavers' assembly will take place in Lees Hall this year due to building work taking place on the school site and because we do not wish to disrupt the learning time in curriculum spaces used for students. We have been asked to consider an earlier date for this event due to it being on the same day as the prom. Should we be able to accommodate this, we will communicate this to students as soon as possible.

GCSE results day this year is on Thursday 25th August and the school will be open at 9am. Students should go to the Sixth Form Centre to collect their results and further details with all arrangements will be sent out towards the end of term and will be posted on our school website.

The past two years have been far from ideal for our current Year 11 cohort, however, we are proud of the levels of application and determination that each and every one of them has shown in completing their studies. There is still lots of hard work and preparation to come, however, we wish everyone of them the very best in their final exams.

Your sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Cain', written in a cursive style.

Mr J Cain
Deputy Headteacher