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Dear Parents and Carers,

As exam season begins, here are some key updates to help support your child through the weeks ahead.

Booster Sessions

We have set up a special Booster Timetable for Year 11, giving students extra revision sessions before their exams. These will replace normal lessons and are mostly with their usual teachers. Attendance is compulsory to these sessions and will be monitored, we expect students to engage in these sessions like regular lessons.

Exams

Students will be given a personalised exam timetable. We expect them to know in advance where they will be sitting. They also need to bring equipment (2 x black pen, pencil, rubber, ruler, highlighter) in a clear pencil case.

Uniform must be worn as usual, though blazers can be removed in the exam room. **Excessive make up, jewellery, trainers, hoodies and leggings are not allowed.** Students will be sent home to change if needed. Therefore, please ensure your child arrives at school on time in the correct uniform. Let's work together to make sure this doesn't affect the smooth start to their exams.

Students must attend all their scheduled exams. Missed exams may result in families being charged the exam fee.

Morning exams begin at 9.15am, so students must arrive by 8.30am. We strongly recommend arriving earlier to attend our free Breakfast Club from 8.00am, where subject teachers will also be available to support students before their exams.

*Please also allow extra time for travel due to nearby roadworks to help your child arrive calm and on time.

Exam Rules & Leaving After Afternoon Exams

The JCQ (exam board regulator) set out strict rules for student behaviour and conduct during exams. Students have been informed of these expectations, we would appreciate you reminding them too. Full details can be found [here](#).

Some afternoon exams finish after 2.30pm. On those days, students can go home early with your permission. Please complete this [MS Form](#) to give consent. Without it, your child will stay in school for supervised revision.



Below is a list of the afternoon exams where early leave is allowed (with permission). On all other days, students will finish at the usual time of 3.10pm. We also welcome all students to attend after-school revision.

Date	Exam	Finish Time
13 May	Biology Paper 1	2.30pm (combined) and 3.00pm (triple)
22 May	Sport Science	2.30pm
3 June	Engineering	2.30pm
6 June	Geography Paper 2	2.45pm
9 June	I Media	2.45pm
10 June	History Paper 1	2.45pm
12 June	Hospitality	2.35pm
13 June	Statistics Paper 1	3.00pm

Breakfast Club

We encourage all students to arrive early on exam days. A free breakfast is available in the canteen from 8am, including toast, fruit, cereal bars, and water. Subject teachers will also be there to help with any last-minute questions.

Wellbeing Support

We know exams can be stressful. The Year 11 Pastoral Team is here to support students, and we have also shared helpful links below for managing exam stress and promoting wellbeing:

- [Sort 0 Wellbeing Personal Development - Webinars Past - Teacher - Unifrog](#)
- [YoungMinds | Mental Health Charity For Children And Young People | YoungMinds](#)
- [Exam Stress | How To Deal with Exam Stress | YoungMinds](#)
- <https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Education/Learning-options-and-careers/Happiness-and-Wellbeing/Beating-exam-stress.aspx>

Final Assembly – Thursday 19 June

A Year 11 highlight each year is the Leavers' assembly which takes place after the final exams. This is an opportunity for students to say goodbye to their teachers and other students, sign their shirts and attend a celebratory assembly. We reserve the right to refuse entry to this celebration if we have concerns around students' behaviour.

This will take place at 3.30pm on Thursday 19 June. Students should arrive to school no earlier than 3.20pm on this date and make their way to the main hall. After the assembly, there will be an opportunity for students to participate in shirt signing and celebrations.

Sixth Form Applications

Still unsure about next steps after Year 11? We are still accepting Sixth Form applications. Speak to Mr Brennan or Mr Dangerfield or for more information email them directly: ben.brennan@hartschool.org.uk or neil.dangerfield@hartschool.org.uk.



Saturday School & Half Term Revision

A full programme of revision sessions is planned for Saturdays and over half term, details will be shared with parents and students next week.

The first session is:

- Saturday 10 May, 10.00am–12.00pm – English Literature revision (Macbeth & A Christmas Carol) in G Block.

This is open to all Year 11 students, and we strongly encourage them to attend, for last minute support with Macbeth and A Christmas Carol.

GCSE Results Day – Thursday 21st August

Students will be able to pick up their exam results from school on Thursday 21 August 2025 from 8.00am onwards.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all of your support this year. Students should be reminded that they are now on the final stretch and that their hard work really does pay off! On behalf of all of us here at The Hart School, I wish them every success in their exams.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Mahon
Vice Principal