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Arrangements for Year 11's final examinations

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to express our admiration for the way in which Year 11 have conducted themselves throughout the examination season so far. Their conduct has been excellent and the focus they have shown in both examinations and the accompanying preparation sessions has been great. We have always promised that if Year 11 pupils work with us then they will achieve fantastic outcomes.

As we approach the final run-in, a reminder that the expectation is for all pupils to attend the academy full-time until the dates outlined below. Sessions have been planned to maximise performance in exams and feedback from pupils is really positive about the impact that these crucial sessions have, not only from a content point of view, but as a reassurance and focussing exercise.

Please see the outline below for the final few days, a reminder that 'as normal' means by 8.30am and preferably earlier on days they have an exam so they can access the warm-up sessions:

Monday 10 June – Normal school day, Extra compulsory recovery curriculum for Chemistry

Tuesday 11 June – Normal school day, however recovery curriculum ends, pupils will be allowed home at 2.45pm

Wednesday 12 June and Thursday 13 June - Pupils are not required to attend the academy for the full day. However, there will be Geography and Science revision sessions throughout the day and pupils will be invited to attend at a designated time. These sessions are not compulsory but strongly recommended.

Friday 14 June – All pupils are expected to attend the academy as normal. There is a Geography exam and/or Science revision sessions in the morning and Physics exam in the afternoon. **Please note; for many pupils this will be the last day in the academy and pupils are not expected to attend from this date unless they still have exams.**

Monday 17 June – Pupils studying Music may come in for a warm-up session in the morning. Music exam is at 1pm. Music pupils to be on site by 12.30pm at the latest.

Wednesday 19 June – Further Maths exam at 9am, Further Maths pupils to be on site by 8.30am. Hospitality and Catering pupils have a warm-up session 11.15am-2.45pm.

Thursday 20 June – Hospitality and Catering exam at 9am, pupils to be on site by 8am for Period 0. **Leaver's assembly at 2pm.** Please arrive at the academy between 1.45-2pm for a 2pm start. Pupils must attend in full school uniform with all the usual expectations in place, no exceptions will be made. Pupils may bring leavers books, spare shirts and a permanent marker for shirt signing etc. Please note, attendance at this event is non-compulsory and is likely to run until around 3.30pm.

Please note that the Exam contingency day of Wednesday 26 June remains in place for a national emergency and all pupils are expected to be available until this date.

Thursday 27 June - Year 11 Prom – Bagden Hall, 6-11pm.

Thursday 22 August - Year 11 results day – We will write to you closer to the time with details of this event.

Once again, please can I take this opportunity to thank parents for their continued support and wish all of our Year 11 leavers the very best in all of their future plans. It has been a pleasure getting to know each and every one of them and they have done both yourselves and the academy proud. The end of their Year 11 journey also marks the end of my time at Horbury Academy, as I will also be leaving on Friday 14 June to begin a new adventure as a Headteacher and I hope that the pupils at my new school work as hard as this year group have throughout their time with us.

With very best wishes,



Mr B Gilder
Vice Principal

