

Our ref: BWO/BDA/GHR

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Dear Parent/Carer,

With 11 school weeks remaining until the start of external GCSE examinations for our year 11s, we wanted to write to you with some key information and updates.

### **Attendance**

As shared in previous communication, attendance is a key factor in achievement and success at the end of year 11. As an Academy, we know that students who have attendance of above the **Academy target of 97%** throughout the year have consistently outperformed those whose attendance has been below this number.

It is vital that students attend every possible day from now until the end of the year. Within lessons, students will now be starting live trial examinations, examination preparation and key knowledge recap all of which will ensure that students are prepared and understand what is expected of them in their final examinations.

As parents/carers, we request that you continue to ensure your child attends the Academy every day.

### **Trial Examinations**

Within the next half term all year 11 students will take part in the next (and final) round of trial examinations. This includes both written examinations and practical examinations.

These examinations will take place over a four-week period as outlined below.

Within this, there are some achieve days to support success in ICT, a performance to support with English literature and a photography external visit.

It is **essential** that students are in the Academy with full investment for the entirety of this period to ensure that in the run up to their final examinations we are tailoring revision and examination support to their individual needs.

Following the examinations, we will be holding a results evening for the students and parents/carers to attend. This will be on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March from 5:30-6:30pm**. This will enable all students to receive their results from the trial examinations and allow us to launch our **summer Achieve timetable** with you to outline and discuss how we will be supporting the students until their final examination.

PM Examination	AM Examination	
Art Group 1 and 2		Friday 23 Feb
Geography Paper 1	English Language C1	Monday 26 Feb
Computer Science/Food	Mathematics P1 (Calc)	Tuesday 27 Feb
French Listening/Reading/ Geography P2	English Lit C1	Wednesday 28 Feb
Business Studies	Science- Biology	Thursday 29 Feb
History- Germany	English Language C2	Friday 1 March
Computer Science/Music/French Writing	Mathematics P2 (Non-Calc)	Monday 4 March
Business/Music	Science- Chemistry	Tuesday 5 March
Geography P3	English Literature C2	Wednesday 6 March
History- Health and People	Mathematics P3 (Calculator)	Thursday 7 March
	Science- Physics	Friday 8 March
Food Practical (Group 1)		Monday 11 March
ICT Unit 1	English production for all	Tuesday 12 March
Food Practical (Group 2) and French Speaking		Wednesday 13 March
Photography Visit/Food Practical (Group 3), French Speaking		Thursday 14 March
French Speaking/ICT Unit 2 Achieve Day		Friday 15 March
Food Practical (Group 4)		Monday 18 March
Food Practical (Group 5)		Tuesday 19 March
Food Practical (Group 6), Music Performances		Wednesday 20 March
BTEC Health and Social Care Assessment, Music Performances		Thursday 21 March
	BTEC Health and Social Assessment	Friday 22 March



## February Achieve

We will be holding our next round of Achieve sessions during the February half term as follows:

	AM Session 9:00am-12:00pm		PM Session 12:30-3:30pm
Saturday 10 February	French 9:00-10:30	History 10:30-12:00	
Monday 12 February	English Language Component 1		Science
Tuesday 13 February	Mathematics (Foundation and Higher)		
Wednesday 14 February	English Literature: Macbeth and Poetry Anthology		Health and Social Care: Component 3
Thursday 15 February	Art: Exam Development Work		Art: Exam Development Work
Friday 16 February	Geography		

Thank you to those students who have already signed up.

If your child has not yet signed up, they can do so using this link: <https://forms.office.com/e/SfTJLrM51h>

By attending these sessions, students will be working towards the next round of **driving school rewards**.

## Prom

This year, the STWA Prom will be on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June. The Prom Committee have been working hard to plan the event.

We are starting to release ticket sales over the coming months for students. The first set of tickets will be released prior to half term and will be released as a reward for those students whose attendance to date has **met the Academy target of 97%** (or those whose attendance is slightly below due to authorised reasons). 81 students have met this target and will have the opportunity to purchase their tickets this week.

Next half term we will be releasing the next set of tickets for those students who have met the **Academy target of 97%** attendance between 19<sup>th</sup> February and 28<sup>th</sup> March.

We understand that there may be instances where students cannot attend the Academy but on these rare occasions, please ensure you have phoned the Y11 team.

We look forward to seeing all students with their tickets soon and at the Prom!

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

Mr. Woodhouse and Miss. Darke  
**Year 11 Team**

