

April 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to share with you the additional support we have put in place for our Year 11 students to ensure they are in the strongest possible position when sitting their GCSE exams during the next half term. External examinations start on Monday 16 May 2022, and we are aware that some of our students find it difficult to carry out independent revision at home.

In order to provide additional support for our students we are opening the Academy until 6.00pm Monday – Thursday and until 4:20pm on Friday for supervised revision sessions from Tuesday 3 May 2022 until the end of the exams.

Staff will be on hand to provide support and resources during this time and refreshments will be provided. However, these sessions will not be led by teachers and the expectation is that students will be carrying out their own revision using the materials provided by their class teachers or through online platforms. Staff will be there in a supportive role to ensure students are carrying out purposeful revision, to offer well-being support and direct students to appropriate revision resources.

We hope that this will provide your child with some further routine and structure in preparing for their GCSEs.

The expectation is that all students need to carry out daily revision to keep on top of their preparation for their exams. Cramming the night before an exam is not the best way to prepare and revision should be spread out over a period of weeks and revisited regularly.

Core intervention sessions will run as normal with teachers providing guided sessions based on areas of weakness, these are detailed below.

Day	Subject	Notes
Monday	Science Maths	Band A Band B
Wednesday	English	All students
Thursday	Science Maths	Band B Band A

However, we will be running additional sessions the day before exams, which will take place between 3.20 and 5.00pm – and the morning of exams between 8:00 and 8.40pm to help offer some last-minute support and focus before exams.

I have included the exam timetable at the end of this letter for your reference, this is also posted in the Year 11 section of our school website.

We have planned celebrations for those students who have earned an invitation through their hard work and effort during Year 11. Prom will take place on Friday 1 July 2022 between 7.00 and 11.00pm, and there will be an end of year trip - we will confirm the date of this ASAP.

Students will need to attend school full time in the run up to and during the exams and this will continue as normal until Friday 10 June 2022. Year 11 will then be able to attend school only for exams and revision sessions from Monday 13 June 2022 until their last exam.

If you have any questions about any of the information in this letter, or you would like to have a more general discussion about exam preparation, please do not hesitate to contact the school via email: info@appletonacademy.co.uk.

Yours faithfully



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APPLETON ACADEMY FINAL SUMMER 2022 EXAM TIMETABLE		
Component	Exam Date	Session
(Art) Portfolio	25.04.2022	-
(Photography) Portfolio	25.04.2022	-
(Spanish) Speaking Test	27 & 28.04.2022	-
(English Language) - Spoken Test	TBC	-
(Health & Social Care) Component 3: Health and Wellbeing	11.05.2022	AM
(Child Development) Unit 1: Patterns of Child Development	16.05.2022	PM
(Science) Combined Science Biology Paper 1 & GCSE Biology	17.05.2022	AM
(Music) Unit 1: The Music Industry	17.05.2022	PM
(Urdu) Listening & Reading	17.05.2022	PM
(English Language) Paper 1	18.05.2022	AM
(History) Paper 1B Option B	19.05.2022	AM
(Drama) Component 3	19.05.2022	PM
(Italian) Listening & Reading	19.05.2022	PM
(Maths) Paper 1: non calculator	20.05.2022	AM
(Geography) Paper 1	23.05.2022	AM
(English Literature) Paper 1	25.05.2022	AM
(Spanish) Listening & Reading	26.05.2022	AM
(Science) Combined Science Chemistry Paper 1 & GCSE Chemistry	27.05.2022	AM
HALF TERM		
(Maths) Paper 2: Calculator Allowed	07.06.2022	AM
(Geography) Paper 2	07.06.2022	PM
(Urdu) Writing	07.06.2022	PM
(English Literature) Paper 2	08.06.2022	AM
(Science) Combined Science Physics Paper 1 & GCSE Physics	09.06.2022	PM
(English Language) Paper 2	10.06.2022	AM
(Maths) Paper 3: Calculator Allowed	13.06.2022	AM
(iMedia) Pre-production skills	13.06.2022	PM
(Geography) Paper 3	14.06.2022	AM
(Italian) Writing	14.06.2022	PM
(Science) Combined Science Biology Paper 2 & GCSE Biology	15.06.2022	AM
(Design & Technology) Written	15.06.2022	PM
(History) Paper 2A Option C	16.06.2022	AM
(Spanish) Writing	17.06.2022	AM
(Polish) Listening & Reading	17.06.2022	PM
(Science) Combined Science Chemistry Paper 2 & GCSE Chemistry	20.06.2022	AM
(History) Paper 2B Option C	21.06.2022	AM
(Food Studies) Unit 1: The hospitality & Catering Industry	21.06.2022	PM
(Science) Combined Science Physics Paper 2 & GCSE Physics	23.06.2022	AM
(Polish) Writing	27.06.2022	AM