



CRESTWOOD
COMMUNITY SCHOOL

17 March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

We are fast approaching the start of GCSE exams for 2023 and in a short time your child will be leaving Crestwood Community School and taking their next steps into further education, training or employment.

Your child has today received their **personal exam timetable**. **It is important that you check this with them** and if there are any errors you inform the school immediately. A timetable showing all of this year's exams is attached to this letter.

Exams will commence on Monday 15th May 2023 and will finish on Wednesday 21st June 2023. The exam boards have set a contingency date of Wednesday 28th June, in the event of national or significant local disruption to the exams. It is vital that your child is available to attend all their exams during this period.

From Monday 15th May we will be making changes to the Year 11 timetable in order that students have access to last minute revision sessions and enter the exam hall feeling as calm and prepared as possible. This timetable will be published to parents and students after the Easter break.

This year, Ofqual the exams regulator have made a number of changes to the rules surrounding exams. This [link](#) takes you to a website which sets out guidance for parents and students and there is a handy checklist [here](#).

Of particular note, students must;

- Not take any mobile device or other internet capable device into the exam hall
- Not take any watch into the exam hall
- Ensure water bottles are clear with no markings or labels
- Ensure pencil cases are clear
- Ensure their calculator meets the requirements of the Joint Council for Qualifications. These requirements can be viewed [here](#).

This time of year is a stressful time for students and they are likely to be feeling under pressure. You can really support your child by ensuring that they are revising and preparing for their exams. Revision materials are available through the Google Classroom and each subject has revision guides which can be purchased at a discount from the online school shop.

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Over the Easter Break, many staff are running revision sessions for students. The timetable for these sessions for [Cherbourg](#) can be found here, and for [Shakespeare](#) it can be found here.

Yours sincerely

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