



KING HENRY VIII SCHOOL
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Dear Parent/Guardian,

As we come to the end of another busy term can I take this opportunity to thank you for your support this term.

As you are fully aware most students in year 13 will be sitting external examinations this summer. They have been issued with personal timetables and the examination period extends from 13 May to 17 June inclusive. For those resitting any GCSEs this period is from 7 May to 7 June inclusive. We have some year 13 students who have no exams, as they are only following BTEC courses.

Arrangements for study leave are as follows:

- Welsh Baccalaureate lessons will be taken off student timetables as soon as Miss L Trew confirms their work is complete to an acceptable standard. This has already happened for some students.
- BTEC lessons will continue until the end of June, but teachers will know if and when students have AS re-sits, A2 or GCSE exams
- A2 lessons will continue until 24 May, but will be mainly revision from 13 May – 24 May as many students have AS re-sit exams in this period.
- There will be a leavers assembly on 24 May Period 4 in the Sports Hall
- Students can take the session off before any exam in this period in order to study at home
- A2 Exam leave begins on 3 June, and the only lessons after that will be revision lesson organised between students and their teachers
- Students not doing BTEC are free to leave once their last exam is finished.
- Students should make sure that they return all textbooks, writing their name on the inside cover of any textbooks they return so that their name can be ticked off and you are not billed for books! Check for GCSE books too!

During the holidays, you will receive in the post a more detailed exam timetable with venues and seating arrangements. This pack will also contain pupil information; 'Warning to candidates' and 'Information for written exams'.

Please be aware we offer the opportunity for KS5 students to access the post 16 resource area for private study 3.10pm – 4.10pm Monday to Thursday. This is supervised and students can access ICT facilities. We strongly recommend students make use of this facility.

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We are pleased with Post 16 attendance this year however, in the run up to the examination period I would ask that parents encourage their son or daughter to attend all lesson sessions and their mentoring periods with their academic mentors. This will allow us to make the most of the time left and provide bespoke support where required.

Finally, I trust you will all have an enjoyable and restful Easter holiday. We return to school on a week 1, Monday 29th April.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'E Lewis'.

Mrs E Lewis
Headteacher