



10 June 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I want to start by congratulating all Year 11 students for their conduct during the exams over the past few weeks. They have done really well throughout the whole process, and I trust that, as well as revising, that they had a well-earned rest over the half term. As we enter the final few weeks of the examinations, I wanted to highlight some key organisational points for students and parents to be aware of.

Blended Learning Programme

At the current time, Year 11 students are expected in school full-time unless they are told otherwise. They will either be in an exam, or their usual lessons. There will be some rare occasions where the students will be doing a lesson where they have already completed the exam. In this case, students should bring some revision materials so that they can work independently during this time.

Key dates (explanation below)	
Monday 13 th June	Final day of compulsory Attendance and blended learning begins
Thursday 23 rd June	Majority of exams are completed. Year 11 BBQ and spare shirt signing. Leave school between 12 and 12:30pm.
29 th June	Examination Contingency Day- <u>all students will need to be available</u>
Thursday 30 th June	Leaver's assembly at 9:30am. Arrive from 9:15am/Laptops returned to the school Prom- 7-11pm
Thursday 25 th August	GCSE Results day – from 9-12pm. An email will be sent to the students' school email address at 12pm if they can't attend.

Monday 13th June will be the final day of compulsory attendance for all Year 11 students. After the Maths exam in the morning, students will be able to go straight home. From Tuesday 14th June, Year 11 students will adopt a blended learning programme where they will different options as to what are doing. The options are as follows:

1. In school when they have an exam
2. In a lesson where they still have an exam still to take or coursework to finish
3. In a science revision session
4. In room L21 to undertake independent revision
5. At home continuing with their own revision

We will send out a timetable of sessions on the evening before. Please see pages 3 and 4 for a more in-depth view of the structure of the next two weeks.

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Registering Attendance

During the blended learning programme, it is important that the students register themselves both when arriving to school and when they leave. Please see instructions below of when they will need to sign in or out:

1. If they have an exam in the morning, then they will register on entering the main hall.
2. Once a morning exam has finished, students will then complete a register to let us know what they are doing for the rest of the day. If they are going home, they will leave via the Parkstone Road entrance.
3. If they are staying in school, then will either be in a lesson or L21.
4. If students turn up to school in the morning and don't have an exam, then they must go to the Canteen at tutor time.
5. If students turn up later on in the day, they must sign in at reception.
6. If students leave during the day, once they have finished any lessons, then must sign out at reception.

Thursday 23rd June

This is the date when the vast majority will have finished all of their exams. After the Chemistry exam, we plan to hold a BBQ for the Year 11 students to mark the end of the exams. There will be some time for students to engage in getting their shirt signed by students and staff. For safeguarding reasons students cannot sign a shirt that is being worn and students should bring a spare 'signing' shirt to school with them if they wish to participate in this tradition. Students will then leave site between 12 and 12:30pm

Revision Books

Once the exams finish, if students have any unwanted revision guides/materials, we would be grateful for donations so that we can redistribute to the next set of Year 11 students. Please could you either bring these in either at the Leavers assembly or Results Day.

Donating school uniform

Students will need to continue wearing their school uniform until after the Leavers assembly on the 30th June. After this date, students will no longer need to wear their school uniform. However, we would be very grateful for any donations of uniform, especially blazers and ties. If you would like to donate your uniform to the school please can you bring this along to the Results Day or alternatively the uniform can be dropped off into the main reception.

Laptops

The school provided laptops should be returned on their celebration assembly on **30th June**. If they do not bring the device in on the 30th it **MUST** be returned no later than Thursday **25th August**, but preferably they should bring them in for their Celebration 30th June. After that date, they should be handed into reception and a receipt for their laptop will be given to the student. If you wish to purchase the device the cost is £160 and you should contact Mr Kwapong.

Ark Alexandra Sixth Form

It is quite usual during this time of the year for students to reconsider their options for Post 16 education. If you have not currently applied to Ark Alexandra Sixth Form but would wish to be considered for joining us in September 2022, then please email Ms Kirk at a.kirk@arkalexandra.org to express your interest.

If you have any questions, please contact either me at g.morris@arkalexandra.org or Miss Clark (Head of Year) at s.clark@arkalexandra.org

Kind regards



Mr G Morris

Director of Careers, Destinations and Year 11 Outcomes

Blended Learning Programme- Week Commencing 13th June

Please see the timetable below. Examinations are in bold, please ensure that students remember to be in the main hall by 8:15am. The classes in red are the lessons that still have exams or coursework to finish. If you have finished the coursework, then you don't have to attend these lessons. L21, the room for independent study will be open throughout the day for students to use.

If students are not in an exam and are waiting for revision sessions, lessons, exams that take place later in the day, they MUST be in L21.

Room L21 will be available during the whole day- Tutor time to Period 5.

Period	Monday 13 th June	Tuesday 14 th June		Wednesday 15 th June	Thursday 16 th June	Friday 17 th June
Tutor time	Maths Exam	Geography Exam		Biology Exam	History Exam	Spanish Writing Exam
1		W Band Science revision	Option C Lessons- DT, History, IT, Health & Social Care, Photography, Spanish	Biology Exam-Triple	P Band Science	W Band Science revision
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3	Student to leave school at 10:30am after the Maths exam	W Band Science revision		Option C Lessons- DT, History, IT, Health & Social Care, Photography, Spanish	P Band Science Revision	Option B Lessons- Dance, Business, Hospitality, Triple Science
4		P Band Science Revision		Option C Lessons- DT, History, IT, Health & Social Care, Photography, Spanish	French Writing Exam	Option A Lessons- Business, Health & Social Care, IT, BTEC Sport
5		P Band Science Revision		Option A Lessons- Business, History, Health & Social Care, IT, BTEC Sport		P Band Science Revision

Blended Learning Programme- Week Commencing 20th June

Period	Monday 20 th June	Tuesday 21 st June	Wednesday 22 nd June	Thursday 23 rd June	Friday 24 th June
Tutor time	Chemistry Exam			Physics Exam	Take a breath, relax, enjoy that fact that you have finished your exams
1		Option B Lessons- Dance, Triple Science			
2	Chemistry Exam Triple	W Band Science revision	P Band Science revision	Physics Exam Triple	
3	W Band Science revision	P Band Science revision	W Band Science revision	Year 11 BBQ, Shirt signing and activities.	
4	P Band Science Revision	Dance and Hospitality Exams		Students to leave site at 12pm	
5	Option D Lessons- Hospitality, Triple Science				