

Dear Parents/carers,

Our Y11 students have now started their GCSE examinations. It is vitally important that they are preparing well to ensure success for their future. They are in competition with over 640,000 other students across the country. Attending every day over the examination period, engaging in their lessons and masterclasses, and ensuring revision is productive at home will mean that they beat their competition and improve their life chances moving forward.

All students have been given a copy of their GCSE exam timetable. A copy of this can be found by going to the Scalby School website, selecting the 'For Parents and Carers' tab, then 'Examinations' and finally 'Examinations Timetable 2023-2024 and Contingency dates'.

Students will access subject masterclasses before their GCSE exams. These masterclasses are compulsory and are vital to ensure our students are successful. In the past, we have predicted exam questions during these sessions, and they are essential in building confidence for students before they walk into their GCSE exams. Students have a copy of their masterclass timetable, and additional copies are available from Mrs Langmead's office. When students are not in masterclasses or exams, they will be accessing their normal timetable which is a precious additional revision opportunity.

Students are expected in school full time at this moment. Attendance every day is compulsory, and non-attendance will result in unauthorised absence and could jeopardise your child's place at their prom and leaving events which we will be sharing with students shortly. I realise this may seem a strong message but given all the disruption we have faced this year, it is absolutely vital that your child is attending every day and engaging in their lessons, masterclasses and exams so that they can achieve their potential this summer.

We are dedicated to helping and supporting your child over the coming 5 weeks. We cannot wait to celebrate with them at Prom and on Results Day. They are an incredible cohort, and we cannot wait to see them make their mark on the world. I am immensely proud of them, their resilience and potential knows no limit. I know they are ready for these exams, but your support for the final and most important few weeks is greatly appreciated.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me and I will be happy to help.

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