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To: Y13 parents/carers/students

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Dear Parent/Carer/Student

In previous years Year 13 students have continued with timetabled lessons, including form time, as usual until the last Friday before the summer half-term. However, we have noticed that, due to many AS exams being withdrawn, the A-level and Level 3 qualifications have crept forward on the exams timetable, so now more exams take place before the half term break.

Subject teachers still need as much time as possible to deliver the course and key revision. Therefore, in order to support Year 13 students, we have decided that we will phase in study leave, rather than simply move it forward. We are therefore holding the Year 13 leavers event earlier, on the afternoon of Friday 9 May when no exams are taking place. The sixth form study centre and common room remain open to them throughout the exam period (although on occasion the study centre may be used as an additional exam centre – students will be advised in advance of the closure days and times).

From Monday 12 May to Friday 23 May, students are still required to attend all subject lessons, unless in an exam, but will otherwise have unlimited home study, including form time and character & culture. They can therefore decide where is best for them to work, but still receive staff support.

Full study leave begins on Monday 2 June, but subject teachers will still be available to support students during their normal lesson slots until the last exam happens in their subject. So, for example, the last history exam is on Friday 6 June. Therefore until that date students can attend classes to work on preparation and access resources. These will not be formal taught lessons as a number of students will be in exams, but will allow us to provide maximum support.

A reminder as well that all students must still wear their lanyards and sign in/sign out electronically whenever they arrive/leave school, whether or not they have lessons, exams or have come in for revision.

Yours faithfully

Mrs L Robertson
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