

# Year 11 GCSE Information 08.04.22

Dear Parent/Carer,

The GCSE examinations are approaching quickly, with the first examination involving many Year 11 students taking place on Monday 16 May 2022. Consequently, we wish to ensure that parents and students are fully aware of the arrangements that are in place to ensure that all students have the opportunity to reach their full potential. The following points should be noted:

- All timetabled lessons will continue throughout the examination period and formal teaching/revision will take place during these lessons up to the date of the examination in each subject;
- Once the examination for a subject has taken place, formal teaching/revision in that subject will cease; however, where necessary and appropriate, supervised revision for other subjects will be arranged during these lessons;
- We understand that some pupils may prefer to study at home in the run up to specific exams. If this is the case we request that parents inform the School that they wish for their child to remain at home to study under parental supervision via the [year11@cowbridgecs.co.uk](mailto:year11@cowbridgecs.co.uk) email address. This will then be authorised by the School;
- Bespoke revision sessions have been organised and are taking place at various times including during registration periods and after school;
- Where students have been in an examination and have not been able to attend a lesson or revision session, all resources and materials will be made available to them on Google Classroom;
- Students have been provided with advice and guidance on how to make the best use of their time whilst preparing for their examinations. Information is available in the Y11 Google Classroom;
- Friday 27 May 2022, is a school staff training day. The school will be fully open for students who have examinations on this day and school buses will run as normal. However, as there will be no canteen facilities available, pupils are advised to bring their own food and drink if they wish to do so. Those entitled to free school meals can collect a packed lunch from the canteen. Please inform Miss White if a lunch is required. Once the morning examination is finished, on this day, pupils can leave the site if they wish. Students who wish or need to remain in school will be accommodated in the Learning Resources Centre (LRC);
- GCSE examination results will be published on Thursday 25 August 2022. Students will be able to access their results online at home. Members of staff will be available in school from 8.30 - 11.30am on the day in order to provide face-to-face support and assistance if this is necessary.

Research has proven that students perform best in examinations when they have followed a structured revision programme. As a result, we encourage students to remain in school throughout the examination period so that they can fully benefit from the specialist support offered by their teachers.

We trust that you will find the arrangements that have been made are beneficial for your child. Should you have any questions regarding these arrangements, or anything else over the coming months, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Year 11 Achievement Team.

Yours faithfully

**Ms C. Best**

Leader of Achievement for Year 11

**Mr R. Burgum**

Head of Senior School/Assistant Headteacher