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Dear Parents and Carers of Year 11 Students

Y11 GCSE Examination Arrangements

Thank you for all your support so far in helping prepare your child for their GCSE examinations. As we now begin the formal examination season, please see some key details to support with the examination process over the next few weeks.

The official start time for all morning examinations is 8.45 and for afternoon examinations is 13.00. For all morning examinations, all students will go their regular timetabled period 1 lesson and will be sent to the examination hall from there.

For all afternoon examinations, all students will make their way at the end of lunch to arrive at the examination hall for 12.55 at the latest.

Exam breakfasts

For all of the morning examinations we are offering all students the opportunity to have some breakfast and a quiet space to settle before the examination. The Key Stage 3 restaurant will be open from 8.00-8.30 on the days where there is a morning examination. All students sitting an examination are welcome to come along and get some breakfast – there will the option of toast, porridge and fresh fruit. There will also be some teaching staff on hand providing some key tips and advice for the examination.

Throughout the examination period teachers will continue to follow their usual timetable and be available in their usual teaching rooms. It is expected that students continue to attend lesson when not in an examination. If students do need to leave the site following an examination or are not in the Academy on a particular day please continue to inform the Academy in the usual way through a note in the daybook, phone call to main reception or an email to Mrs Mather, the Year 11 Pastoral Manager – amather@prioryacademies.co.uk

Once your child has completed all of their examinations they no longer need to attend. Upon completion of examinations please can students return any textbooks or resources that had been provided by the Academy. There will be areas around the examination venues to drop off textbooks. We would also be very grateful if any uniform that is in good condition and is no longer required could be donated to the Academy to be made available for other students to make us of. Again, areas will be identified where this uniform can be dropped off. Please be aware that throughout the examination period full academy uniform remains compulsory.

Headteacher: Mrs J Hopkinson



You will also receive a letter today that has been issued to all parents and carers of students in Year 10 to 13 taking examinations this summer in relation to issues regarding absence during the examinations' season. Please read this carefully for guidance about the process if your child is ill during the examinations.

Many thanks for your ongoing support and we wish all Year 11 students the very best for the upcoming examinations. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the Year 11 team.

Yours Faithfully

Mr T Verdon Deputy Head