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Dear Parent or Carer,

Earlier this week exam boards released the details of the advance information for examinations in GCSE's and A Levels this summer. Staff are working their way through the guidance and will be offering advice to students in the coming days and weeks about how best to use this information. The style, content and impact of the information varies from subject to subject and it is crucial that students listen carefully to staff when they refer to it. It is also really important that students only look at information provided by exam boards and not at headlines or snapshots from other sources which may be misleading and might result in students not revising crucial topics.

I have provided below links to the relevant pages of the exam board websites where students can look at the details for themselves. Specific course codes and names can be found on student statements of entry which they have just been given in school. A summary of these codes can also be found on the school [website](#).

[AQA](#), [OCR](#), [EDEXCEL](#), [EDUQAS](#)

Once staff have worked their way through the guidance, they will inform students in class as to the best way of using it as they prepare for the summer examinations and will post subject specific information and advice on Teams for students to refer to.

It is worth noting that not all subjects have released advance information as they have already received some adjustments in their content. These subjects are GCSE English Literature, History and Geography. The following courses are only being assessed through portfolios this summer and will therefore not have a final examination. GCSE Art, Graphics and Textiles; A Level Art, Photography, Architecture, Graphics and 3D Design.

As we approach February half term and begin the countdown to the summer examination series, may I take the opportunity to thank you for all the support you offer your children as they prepare for the summer examinations and also for the support you offer their teachers in that process. If you have any subject specific questions relating to this information please do contact your child's subject teacher.

Yours faithfully

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