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Study leave for Y13 and exam preparation Summer 2023

Dear Parent / Carer

We are writing to you to explain the arrangements for study leave and other matters for the forthcoming exams this summer.

From the end of April, practical exams start for A Level Art, Graphics, Architecture, Textiles & 3-D Design; this requires students to take a 15-hour practical exam. Written examinations start on 17 May with a small number of exams taking place during that week, before increasing in their frequency the following week. We recognise that some students work best in the normal day-to-day routine of college and that some work very well independently from home. With that in mind, the following arrangements are being put in place for study leave.

The last formal day of lessons will be Friday 19 May, so study leave will begin on Monday 22 May. Study leave means that students only have to attend college for examinations, however, to support students who wish to work in school, Y13 teachers will be in their normal rooms following the normal Y13 timetable to offer support to those students until May half term. Students may choose to take study leave on some days and to attend college for lessons on others. After May half term, private study facilities will be available for students who still wish to study in college rather than at home.

We believe that these arrangements provide sufficient flexibility to accommodate the differing study habits of students, whilst simultaneously providing them with the support that they need during the examination period.

As far as supporting students with their preparation for the upcoming exams, staff will be running intervention sessions in school to support the revision that students will be doing at home. Students will be invited by staff to attend these sessions as appropriate, The specific timing of the sessions will be arranged by individual staff members; some will use after-school sessions and some will prefer to run their sessions at lunchtime. We believe that this approach will provide more flexibility. This sits alongside the exam preparation work done by students during normal lessons. The process for this has been explained to students today during their assembly.

Please do show your support by encouraging your child to attend any sessions that they are invited to. If you have any questions regarding this, then please do contact us.

Thank you in advance for your support over the coming months,

Yours faithfully

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