

## Year 11 summer term information

Dear Year 11 parent/carer,

As the exam season approaches, I am writing to inform you of the arrangements for Year 11 and the collection of exam results in August. The main programme of written GCSE examinations for our students start next Monday 15th May and finishes on Wednesday 21st June 2023. The Exams board contingency day is 28<sup>th</sup> June (last week's Information letter). It is essential that your child does not miss any of their examinations and has as much opportunity as possible to continue working in their lessons but also have opportunities to revise before examinations. With this in mind, we have put together a different timetable for the students, when they do not have an examination, they will have subject specific revision lessons with their teachers. Each week we will hand out a personalised timetable for your child to follow.

### **GCSE Results Day**

GCSE results day is on **Thursday 24 August 2023**. Students will be able to collect their results.

### **GCSE Certificates**

GCSE certificates are available for collection from main reception from mid December 2023. They cannot be posted home. Certificates can be collected by the student in person. We ask you to contact the school prior to collecting the certificates to arrange an appropriate time to collect them. Students who stay with us at sixth form will be given their certificates.

### **Student information for exams**

To support students as they prepare for their summer exams, Ofqual has published resources aimed at helping young people through the examination period. There is a range of materials - guides, blogs, and other documents - for students, or parents/carers supporting them, to help manage exam pressure.

Copying with Stress Coping with exam pressure – a guide for students	<a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coping-with-exam-pressure-a-guide-for-students/coping-with-exam-pressure-a-guide-for-students">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coping-with-exam-pressure-a-guide-for-students/coping-with-exam-pressure-a-guide-for-students</a>
Understanding test anxiety	<a href="https://ofqual.blog.gov.uk/2019/03/01/understanding-test-anxiety/">https://ofqual.blog.gov.uk/2019/03/01/understanding-test-anxiety/</a>
What is it like to experience exam stress? A student perspective	<a href="https://ofqual.blog.gov.uk/2019/03/08/what-is-it-like-to-experience-exam-stress-a-student-perspective/">https://ofqual.blog.gov.uk/2019/03/08/what-is-it-like-to-experience-exam-stress-a-student-perspective/</a>
Feeling stressed about 'results day'	<a href="https://ofqual.blog.gov.uk/2019/08/13/feeling-stressed-about-results-day/">https://ofqual.blog.gov.uk/2019/08/13/feeling-stressed-about-results-day/</a>

**Exam timetables**

Students have been issued with their examination timetables. Please ensure that you are aware of the dates and whether they are morning or afternoon exams. I have attached a copy of the full timetable.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at [raskoolum@northstartrust.org.uk](mailto:raskoolum@northstartrust.org.uk)

Yours faithfully,

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