

Tapton SCHOOL

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Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

Year 10 Trial Exams – Changes to Assessment Calendar

The government intends that formal exams will go ahead in the summer of 2022 for Year 11 and Year 13 students. If exams cannot go ahead as planned, students will receive grades determined by their teachers, using teacher-assessed grades (TAGs) similar to those used in summer 2021. TAGs are based on teachers' assessment of their students' work. In order to fully prepare our students for the challenges of final examinations, whilst simultaneously allowing teachers to gather evidence for Teacher Assessed Grades, we have had to make alterations to our published assessment calendar to facilitate additional exam weeks for these year groups.

Nevertheless, we understand the importance of all year groups having the opportunity to sit exams and benefit from robust and timely feedback to show progress and areas for development. Consequently, we have changed the date of the Year 10 Trial Exam week from the previously published 25th April 2022 to 28th March 2022. As always, our trial examination process is designed to give students the best preparation for final exams and we want to reassure students and families that our approach is designed entirely to support students across all year groups.

Subject specific guidance, a timetable for the Exam Week and additional procedural information will be shared in the upcoming weeks and class teachers will talk through the exams for their subjects in lessons with students. If you do have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me on hmorris@taptonschool.co.uk

Yours sincerely,



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