

Tapton SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

Final A Level examinations 2022 and Key Dates

A Level examinations begin very soon and we would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone of the arrangements in school but also to reassure families that we remain steadfastly committed to ensuring your child achieves whilst maintaining a healthy outlook during this time. If at any point over the next six weeks and beyond the examination period you require additional support, please do let school know – we are here for you. In addition, you may find the resources on the following link useful during the exam season and beyond.

www.gov.uk/government/collections/resources-to-help-with-test-anxiety

There have been several adjustments and modifications to examinations this year to support students following the disruption of the last few years. A reminder of these changes can be found on the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/student-guide-to-exams-and-formal-assessments-in-2021-to-2022/student-guide-to-exams-and-formal-assessments-in-2021-to-2022>

A Level Examinations begin on Monday 23rd May with study leave happening after morning lessons on Friday 20th May. We would also like to take this opportunity to remind all students that lessons are compulsory up to 20th May when students will leave school at lunch time following their leaving assembly. We are keen to ensure that students have the maximum amount of learning time with their teachers and we look forward to your support with this.

From Monday 23rd May Year 13 students will only attend school for their examinations and scheduled revision sessions. Details of revision sessions will be shared via Satchel One and MCAS. For students who are unable to go home in between revision sessions and examinations and for those students who would benefit from a quiet study space, we offer a silent revision room in school and this will be signposted in the foyer every day of the examination period starting on Monday 23rd June. The study space will be a supervised classroom in school and will be for silent revision. Please sign the slip at the bottom of this letter if your child is intending to use the revision space and the days and times they are intending to use it. For safeguarding reasons, we will use the reply slips to create a register for the study space so do please ensure your child commits to using it at the times they have specified.

Each student will have a personalised copy of the examination timetable, however, a general timetable is also attached to this letter. We advise all families to highlight their young person's examinations and note the times in your calendars. The 2022 timetable also details the **contingency day** on **29th June**. This will be used if a significant, unexpected event arises nationally or locally during the exam period such that no students (or a large number of them) are able to take an exam when planned. Students should be available throughout the exam period including on that day in case their planned timetable is disrupted. Please do not make any plans until after this date.

Morning exams begin at 9.00 am and afternoon exams begin at 1.30 pm. Students who rely on public transport need to ensure they leave with enough time to get to school. The examinations are part of a rigorous national process and therefore timings cannot be adjusted for transport issues. Mobile phones and watches must be turned off on and placed in exam envelopes before entry to the examination room. Students are reminded to use clear pencil cases for equipment, remove labels from water bottles and ensure they have calculators for the relevant examinations. If your child needs any equipment or support with any materials, please do not hesitate to contact us at school and we will ensure they have everything they need.



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The Year 13 Leaving Party is on Thursday 30th June at The Mowbray, Kelham Island. It starts at 7:00pm and finishes at 11:30pm and is an exclusive ticket only event. Tickets can be purchased through ParentPay, and students must return a reply slip in order to be able to attend.

Information will be shared shortly about returning text books and ID cards/lanyards. Please look out for this and ensure you remember to return any library books to Mrs Thompson in the school library. If you find any books which you have kept from your previous years at Tapton, please return those to the relevant department – we really do need every book back and bills will be sent for any unreturned items.

A Level Examination results day is on Thursday 18th August in the school hall; timings for each form are detailed below. A further letter about results day will be emailed to families at the end of the exam period. Please be aware we strongly advise families to be available in Sheffield on results day in order to access the wider transition and careers support which will be offer in school on the 18th 19th August. A post results service will be available as in a normal exam year when results are published. This will allow students to review their results with exam boards for a cost. Further details will be shared in our results day letter at the end of the exam season.

Arrival time	8am-10am	10.00	10.15	10.30	10.45	11.00	B R E A K	11.30	11.45	12.00	12.15	12.30	1.00
Form	Clearing and adjustment only	13CR	13BC	13HN	13AK	13GD		13KN	13DL	13WA	13GH	13WL	Y12 and below

We wish your young people the very best of luck for the weeks ahead and thank them and you for all the hard work, tenacity and fortitude over what has been a very challenging few years. We feel sure they will reap the rewards of their hard work and we are incredibly proud of them.

Yours sincerely



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J Winters
Year Leader for Year 13



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My child _____ Form _____ will be attending the silent revision room on the following days and times:

Signed parent and carer _____

Parent and carer emergency name and contact number _____



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