

Tapton SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

Year 13 Trial Exam Week February 2024

To fully prepare our students for the challenges of final examinations, Year 13 students will have a trial examination week beginning on Wednesday 31st January 2024. Year 13 students will be expected to attend school only for their examinations and will be on exam leave at all other times.

The trial examinations will take place in the Hall and New Hall under examination conditions. To ensure a calm and timely start to examinations, and to avoid disruption to others, students should arrive at their exam venue 15 minutes before the published start time. Students will be expected to hand in mobile phones and watches to invigilators prior to entry into the examination room as per the attached regulations from JCQ. Students are allowed to take water into their examinations but bottles must be transparent and any labels removed. Pencil cases must also be transparent.

There are several resources on the Sixth Form section of the Learning Platform to support student revision, these include:

- Revision Guides for individual subjects. These are also displayed in the Sixth Form Common Room.
- Becoming an Independent Learner (BILs) Presentations on Time Management, Effective Note- Taking, Using Exam Board Websites and Taking Care of Yourself.


Students have also had assemblies on Effective Revision Techniques delivered by Mr Wright.

Please find attached the subject specific guidance and examination timetable. Where students have more than one exam scheduled at the same time, known as an examination clash, one of the papers will be rescheduled. Details will be confirmed within the personalised exam timetables which will be shared with students in January.

In line with recent Ofqual guidance, in the extremely unlikely event that examinations are cancelled the outcomes of these trial examinations will be used as evidence to calculate Teacher Assessed Grades and completed exam papers will therefore remain in school.

If you have any questions, please do contact exams@taptonschool.co.uk.

Yours sincerely



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Deputy Headteacher



Andrew Wright
Assistant Headteacher, Head of Sixth Form



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Y13 Assessment Jan/Feb 2024

	MORNING SESSION - 9:00 START			AFTERNOON SESSION - 1.30 START		
	Subject/Paper	Assesment duration (minutes)	Finish time	Subject/Paper	Assessment duration (minutes)	Finish time
WED 31 JAN	German Paper 1: Listening, Reading & Writing	150	11:30	History: Civil Rights in the USA	150	4:00
	Maths: Pure Maths Paper 1	120	11:00	Computer Science Paper 1: Computer Systems	150	4:00
	Sociology Paper 1: Education with Theory and Methods	120	11:00	PE: Factors Affecting Participation in Physical Activity and Sport	120	3:30
THU 1 FEB	English Language: Language Diversity & Change (Paper 2)	150	11:30	Physics Paper 1: Modelling Physics	135	3:45
	Biology Paper 1	120	11:00	Psychology Paper 1: Introductory Topics in Psychology	120	3:30
	Economics Paper 1: Microeconomics	120	11:00			
	Religious Studies Paper 1: Philosophy of Religion	120	11:00			
	Further Maths: Further Pure Maths	90	10:30			
FRI 2 FEB	Spanish Paper 1: Listening, reading and writing	150	11:30	French Paper 1: Listening, reading and writing	150	4:00
	Film Studies: Component 2 Global Film-making Perspectives	150	11:30	Fashion & Textiles	150	4:00
	Chemistry Paper 1: Physical and Inorganic Chemistry	120	11:00	Business Paper 1: Marketing, People & Global Businesses	120	3:30
	Politics	120	11:00	Geography Paper 1: Physical geography	90	3:00
	Product Design: Principles of Product Design	90	10:30			
MON 5 FEB	English Literature - Texts and genres: Elements of political and social protest writing	180	12:00	German Paper 2: Writing	120	3:30
	Music: Appraising Music	150	11:30	Maths: Pure Maths Paper 2	120	3:30
	Engineering: Principles of Design Engineering (Paper 2)	105	10:45	Sociology Paper 2: Topics in Sociology	120	3:30
TUE 6 FEB	Physics Paper 2: Exploring Physics	135	11:15	Biology Paper 2	120	3:30
	Psychology Paper 2: Psychology in Context	120	11:00	Economics Paper 2: Macroeconomics	120	3:30
				Religious Studies Paper 2: Religion and Ethics	120	3:30
				Further Maths: Statistics and Mechanics	90	3:00
WED 7 FEB	Computer Science Paper 2: Algorithms and Programming	150	11:30	Chemistry Paper 2: Physical and Organic Chemistry	120	3:30
	Geography Paper 2: Human geography	120	11:00	Spanish Paper 2: Writing	120	3:30
	Business Paper 2: Business Activities, Decisions and Strategy	120	11:00			
	French Paper 2: Writing	120	11:00			