

Tapton SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

Year 13 Trial Exam Week 2 and Contingency Measures 2022

As we have already shared with you the government intends that exams will go ahead in the summer of 2022. 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.

The recent trial examination week has been followed in lessons by robust feedback from subject teachers. This feedback should now inform your child's revision and preparation for the forthcoming second trial examination series after Easter and the final examinations which will begin on May 16th. Once again, this examination week will allow students to continue their preparation for the final exam series, whilst simultaneously allowing teachers to gather evidence for Teacher Assessed Grades.

The trial examination week will begin on Tuesday 19th April. Year 13 students will be on study leave during this examination phase. The trial examinations will take place in the Hall and New Hall under examination conditions. Students will be expected to hand in mobile phones and all watches to invigilators prior to entry into the exam room as per the updated regulations from JCQ. There are always sufficient clocks in examination rooms for students to monitor the time. They must also ensure they have the relevant equipment including black pens for all exams and a calculator, a compass and a ruler where appropriate. Students will once again receive robust feedback and their results from these assessments, however, we will not be reporting the results of these assessments in formal tracking.

On February 7th Ofqual released via examination boards the advance information for final examinations this year. Alongside the attached subject specific trial examination guidance, subject leaders have prepared PowerPoint presentations for their classes which detail the level of change and it's impact on examinations. This has been shared with all teaching groups and the detailed PowerPoint slides are available to view on the following link on our website.

[Tapton School - Exam and Assessment Results](#)

We will write to you again with the timetable and procedural information for the trial examinations and again when the final exam timetables are ready.

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

Yours sincerely



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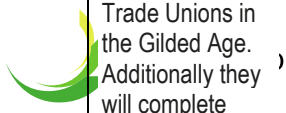


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Subject	Paper 1	Paper 2	Advance Information
Biology (AQA)	A Level Biology. AQA. Paper 2. 2 hours. This paper covers all the second year content (remember, we began this in the summer of Y12). Topics 5 to 8.		The structure of the Biology papers remain unchanged. There are no topics not assessed in these papers. You will be given a list of topics by your Biology teacher that will show the major focus of each exam which will enable you to prioritise your revision. However, topics not explicitly given in the list may appear in low tariff questions or via synoptic questions.
Chemistry (AQA)	Chemistry, Paper 3 2 hours	Chemistry, Paper 4 Organic, Inorganic and Physical Chemistry, 1 Hour	The structure of the Chemistry papers remain unchanged. There are no topics not assessed in these papers. You will be given a list of topics by your Chemistry teacher that will show the major focus of each exam which will enable you to prioritise your revision. However, topics not explicitly given in the list may appear in low tariff questions or via synoptic questions.
Physics (OCR)	Unified Physics 1 hour		The structure of the Physics papers remain unchanged. There are no topics not assessed in these papers. You will be given a list of topics by your Physics teacher that will show the major focus of each exam which will enable you to prioritise your revision. However, topics not explicitly given in the list may appear in low tariff questions or via synoptic questions.
Maths (OCR)	Paper 1 (Pure & Statistics, 1.5 hours)	Paper 2 (Pure & Mechanics, 1.5 hours)	Advance Information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.
Further Maths (OCR)	Paper 1 (Further Pure, 1.5 hours)	Paper 2 (Further Stats & Mechanics, 1.5 hours)	Advance Information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.
Computer Science (OCR)	Computing principles (H446/01) 1 Hour 15 Mins	Algorithms and problem solving (H446/02) 1 hour 15 mins	Paper 1 A written paper assessing the Topics included in the advance information for Component 01 Calculators not allowed. Paper 2 A written paper assessing the Topics included in the advance information for Component 02 Calculators not allowed.
Psychology (AQA)	Paper 2b - Biopsychology and Psychopathology, 1 hour	Paper 3 - Issues and Debates, Relationships, Schizophrenia and Addiction, 2 hours	Both papers will mirror advance content. Advance information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.
Sociology (AQA)	Paper 2b – Beliefs in Society 1 hour	Paper 3 – Crime and Deviance with Theory and Methods 2 hours	Paper 2b – Ideology, science and religion, including both Christian and non-Christian religious traditions (high tariff question) Paper 3 – Crime and Deviance: Crime, deviance, social order and social control; Theory and Methods: Consensus, conflict, structural and social action theories (high tariff question) Advance Information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.
History (OCR)	Students will all complete a compulsory Civil Rights interpretation question on Trade Unions in the Gilded Age. Additionally they will complete		The content of all of these questions will be drawn from the topics included in the 2022 Advance Information. Advance Information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.



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Subject	Paper 1	Paper 2	Advance Information
	EITHER an essay question on Queen Elizabeth I OR two 10 mark questions on Germany, 1919-63. 1 hour 45 mins		
Geography (OCR)	Combination of physical topics (glaciation and hazardous earth) and human topics (migration and human rights) 2 hrs 30 min		Advance Information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.
English Literature (AQA)	Paper 1A Literary genres: Aspects of tragedy 2 Hours and 30 minutes		Advance information, Section A Extract from 'Othello' will be from Act 1 Advance information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.
English Language (AQA)	Paper 2 Language diversity and change 2 Hours 30 minutes		Advance information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.
Film Studies (WJEC)	Component 2 European Film 1 Hour 30 minutes		Advance Information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.
Business Studies (Edexcel)	Paper 1: Marketing, People and Global Business Time: 2 hours		Advance information: Exam Paper will mainly come from the advance information provided for Paper 1. However, it will also include 1.1.3 Market Positioning; 1.3.5 Marketing Strategy; 3.1.2 Theories of corporate strategy; 4.4.3 Controlling MNC's. These 4 topics are not on the advance information; however, they include important knowledge and theories that may be useful for students to revise to include in their analysis in their final exams. Advance information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.
Economics (AQA)	Paper 2: The national and international economy 2 hours		Advance Information: All topics included in the advance information which will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.
Politics (Edexcel)	UK Government, Politics and Ideologies, 2 hrs.		Students will need to revise: Political parties, electoral systems, UK Parliament, Socialism and Feminism. Advance Information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.
Religious Studies (OCR)	Paper 1: Philosophy. 40 mins.	Paper 2: Developments in Christian Thought. 40 mins.	Paper 1: Pupils must answer one question from a choice of two . Topics covered: Ancient Philosophical Thought and the Nature and Attributes of God Paper 2: Pupils must answer one question from a choice of two. Topics covered: Knowledge of God's Existence and Christian Moral Action Advance Information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.



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French (AQA)	Paper 2 exam (Essay Paper). 2 hours.		There is no advance information for this paper. The advance information only applies to the other papers, and this will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.
German (AQA)	Paper 2 exam (Essay Paper). 2 hours.		There is no advance information for this paper. The advance information only applies to the other papers, will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.
Spanish (AQA)	Paper 2 exam (Essay Paper). 2 hours.		There is no advance information for this paper. The advance information only applies to the other papers, and this will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.
Drama (Eduqas)	Component 3 Text in Performance 1 hour 40 mins		<p>Section A extract for 'Chimerica' by Lucy Kirkwood will be: From page 60: Scene Five To page 68: <i>Lights down on JOE and PENGSI, we rejoin ZHANG LIN in his apartment</i></p> <p>Section B: 'Machinal' by Sophie Treadwell will be a question on Design.</p> <p>Section C: extract for 'The Curious Incident of a Dog in the Nighttime' adapted by Simon Stephens From page 82: Christopher 'I have to go back to Swindon.' up to page 90: Ed and Judy talking inaudibly under the drumming</p> <p>Advance information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.</p>
Music (AQA)	Full Component 1 Listening Paper 2hr30 mins		Pre-released information: Section A and C - no changes. Section B - the Baroque Solo Concerto question will be on Bach's Violin Concerto, movement 2 and the Romantic Piano Music question will be on Chopin's Nocturne Op 72, no.1. Advance information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.
DT Product Design (OCR)	Problem Solving in Product Design 1 hour 45 mins		Advance information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.
DT Engineering (OCR)	Problem Solving in Design Engineering 1 hour 45 mins		Advance information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.
DT Fashion and Textiles (AQA)	Combination of Paper 1 and Paper 2 1 hour 45 mins		<p>3.1.2 Performance characteristics of materials 3.1.5 Enhancement of materials 3.1.6 Modern industrial and commercial practice 3.1.7 Digital design and manufacture</p> <p>2 3.2.2 Design theory 3.2.3 How technology and cultural changes can impact on the work of designers 3.2.9 Design for manufacture and project management</p> <p>As well as wider context questions, drawing knowledge from the wider specification.</p> <p>Advance information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.</p>
Physical Education (AQA)	The paper will cover - Paper 1 Section A, Paper 1 Section B, Paper 2 Section C 2 hours		<p>The extended questions will focus on the topics discussed in the advance information which you have received in a handout.</p> <p>Advance information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.</p>

Food Science and Nutrition (WJEC)	Unit 2 – Ensuring Food is Safe to Eat 1 Hour 30mins		Understand how microorganisms affect food safety Understand how food can cause ill health Understand how food safety is managed in different situations Advance information will be detailed on the slide available on the school website.
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