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Dear Parents/Carers and students,

As we continue our preparations for the Summer 2023 Examination series we just want to draw your attention to a few key messages for those students who will be sitting external examinations this summer.

Entry checking

Entries have now been made with the relevant exam boards for all qualifications due to be awarded this summer.

In tutor time next week students will receive a copy of their entries and will be asked to check and sign to say that the following information is correct:

- Their legal name which will then be printed on certificates is correct
- They have all the subjects listed they would expect
- Tiers of entry are as they anticipate for GCSE Maths – if re-sitting this

Any discrepancies can be resolved as long as we are made aware of them at this stage, so it is important all students give this their full attention

Exam regulations

As part of our mock examination preparations, students are already very familiar with the exam rules and regulations that they must adhere to and we will revisit these again in tutor time/assembly as we head towards the summer. The key information is condensed into the attached NLS instructions for Exam Candidates document, and if you wish to read the full official documents from JCQ these can be found in the [Exam information](#) section of our website.

Examination dates

As previously advised, all examination dates are available on our website in the [Summer 2023 Examination Timetable section](#).

Students will receive an individualised document with all exams and seating on early next term.

A reminder that regardless of their individual examination dates, all candidates must remain available at the following times, which are the designated contingency dates for any regional or national issues

- Thursday 8th June PM
- Thursday 15th June PM
- Wednesday 28th June ALL DAY

If you have any queries please speak to Mr Brande, Exams Officer or email exams@northleamington.co.uk.

Ski Trip 2024

This term, we are to launch the Ski Trip 2024 – on the back of the very successful and over-subscribed 2023 trip, you can read about the 2023 trip and view some photographs on our website [here](#)

The intended date is the first week of Easter holidays 2024 – from Friday 22nd to Saturday 30th March. The total cost of the trip is provisionally £1150 – expensive out of context but very good value for money for a full-board trip. We can only offer limited spaces (capped at 42) and, while probably unlikely, we hope everyone who wants a space secures one.

There will be a specific process for the allocation of places on this potentially very popular trip:

- On Ski Trip 2024 Launch Day (**Friday, 17th March**), ParentPay will be open for all parents of students in Y7-12 to pay a deposit of £250 and effectively apply for a place
- ParentPay will remain open from the Launch Day on that Friday until the following Wednesday
- If there are 42 or fewer students who have been signed up by that Wednesday, all those who have signed up will be allocated the places they have applied for and all 42 spaces will be allocated on a first come-first served basis
- If more than 42 students have applied by the Wednesday, priority will be given to students who did NOT go on the 2023 Trip
- If more than 42 students who did NOT go on the 2023 Trip have applied by the Wednesday, the 42 places allocated will be based on which of them signed up first – ParentPay records the signing-up time
- Any spaces allocated to those who went on the 2023 trip will be done so on the basis of first come-first served as recorded in ParentPay

This is to try to ensure that there has been a reasonable opportunity for students who did not access the 2023 trip to be able to go on the 2024 trip. Whether or not a space on the trip has been secured will be confirmed via email contact. Any monies paid on ParentPay by parents who apply but do not ultimately secure a place for their child will of course be refunded.

Please bear all this in mind when applying for a place as we want to manage expectations as best we can and not disappoint students – i.e. please await a confirmation email before telling your child they have a place. We are hopeful parents understand the reasoning for this.

Yours sincerely,



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