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Dear Parents, Carers of Year 12 Sixth Form Students

I hope this letter finds you well and that you are enjoying the upturn in the weather.

Year 12 Progression Exams

As you will know, students in Year 12 have Progression Exams upcoming. The information below should help you understand what has been communicated already to students so you can support with messaging and reassurances.

If a student performs at a U (ungraded), we do need to meet with both the student and a parent before the end of the school year to discuss, amongst other things, what might need to be done over the summer to improve performance – this usually applies to only a handful of students and is intended to be supportive.

- Students will receive a personalised timetable with seat numbers and rooms on during June
- Morning exams students go to the canteen at 8:45am
- Afternoon exams students eat lunch then report to the canteen at 12:50pm.
- The exception to this is Textiles where students should go straight to the classroom
- Equipment/rules for mock examinations need to be followed
- All students not in assessments will go to normal lessons. These may need to be re-roomed in some cases and this information will be sent out via tutors and placed on the exam noticeboards
- Once an assessment is complete and students are dismissed they should return to their normal timetabled lessons or breaks

	Mon 26 th June	Tues 27 th June	Weds 28 th June	Thurs 29 th June	Fri 30 th June
			Contingency Day		D of E Silver
09:00	Y12 Textiles (3h)	Y10 English Language	Y12 Maths (2h)	Y12 English Lit. (2h30)	Y12 Psychology (1h30)
	Y12 Drama (1h45)	(1h45)	Y10 Food (1h)	Y12 Media (2h15)	
	Y12 Geography (1h30)			Y12 RE (2h)	
	Y12 Physics (2h)			Y12 Chemistry (2h)	
	Y12 Politics (2h)			Y10 Business (1h45)	
SLT/ELT starting exam	SAT, CEH, DLH	MBA, BAB, CAR, JPF, GLJ, SAT	MBA, BAB, SAT	MBA, CEH, GLI	SAT, CEH
13:00	Y10 History (1h45)	Y10 Spanish Writing (F: 1h H:1h15)	Y10 Drama (1h45)	Y10 Science (1h30)	
SLT/ELT starting exam	MBA, CEH, GLI, HNJ, MJL	MBA, BAB	HNJ, GLI	MBA, SAT, JAM, PEC, BAB	
	Mon 3 rd Jul	Tues 4 th July	Weds 5 th July	Thurs 6 th July	Friday 7 th July
	No theatre – Y11 leavers		No theatre – Y7 induction		
	Exam Officer conference				
09:00	Y12 Sociology (2h15)	Y10 Maths - Calculator (2h)	Y12 English Lang/Lit. (3h)	Y10 Geography (1h30)	Y12 Computing (2h)
			Y12 Further Maths (2h)		Y12 History (2h15)
			Y12 PE (1h45)		Y10 French and German
			Y10 Computing (1h30)		Writing (F: 1h H:1h15)
SLT/ELT starting exam	SAT, CEH	MBA, BAB, CAR, JPF, GLJ, SAT	GLI, SAT, DLH	MBA, CEH, GLJ, JAM	MBA, SAT, JPF
13:00	Y10 French and German	Y10 Design (1h)	Y10 Spanish Listening &	Y12 Biology (2h)	Y10 PE (1h)
	Listening & Reading (F:1h20 H:1h45)	Y12 Business (2h)	Reading(F:1h20 H:1h45)	Y10 Media (1h30)	Y10 Textiles (2h)
SLT/ELT starting exam	GLI, CEH	MBA, SAT	MBA, HNJ	MBA, DLH, SAT	GLI, JAM

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Exam expectations remain the same as issued previously in the year and have been emailed again to Year 12 students – so you can ask your child as well. The expectations have also been shared with students a few times across the year in assembly. If you do need a re-send of these expectations, please email: sixthform@northleamington.co.uk

If you or your child has any queries please see the Exams Officer as a matter of urgency.

Preparation is key - students should recall and put in to practice all the study skills and advice communicated to them. We in the Sixth Form Team and the wider school are aware that this can be a challenging period for students and families. If we can help in any way, please do contact us so we can arrange support.

Future Pathways (inc. UCAS) Launch

On Thursday, June 15th we launch our Future Pathways Programme. The aims of this are:

- To provide Y12 students with information, advice and guidance (IAG) around Future Pathways
- To use effective IAG to maximise positive destinations for students Post-18

The vast majority of students will go on to university but our programme goes beyond that to include IAG for employment, gap years and apprenticeships. Specific IAG will be offered on applications to Oxbridge, high demand courses (medicine, dentistry and veterinary science) and also those with other specific application processes: e.g. conservatoires.

Students will have a booklet issued on the day of the launch which you can refer to. In addition, see <u>here</u> for advice for parents and guardians available on the UCAS website.

We will look to supplement the above with our own in-house, NLS parental information shortly after the launch.

Work Experience

Around two-thirds of Year 12 students have now returned the 3 forms for this – the revised deadline having been the end of May. Thanks for all your support in getting us to this point. As a quality work experience profile is a key factor in decision-making for those who give offers of employment, university offers and apprenticeship placements, we would encourage again any parent with a child still to secure a placement to continue to be proactive in supporting. We have provided support in the form of a directory of potential providers and IAG since February so please refer your child to these and please also liaise with the tutor or member of the Sixth Form team who have been working to support your child.

We wish students every success in these endeavours and in the upcoming examinations.

I hope you have a restful and pleasant weekend.

Yours faithfully,

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