

Dear parents/carers of Year 13 students

Plans for Year 13 during their final A Level exams

Firstly, may we congratulate Year 13 students on their attitude and focus as they prepare to commence the exam season. We hope the revision is going well. The exam period can be a stressful time. You may find the following websites useful when offering support to your child:

<https://www.nhs.uk/mental-health/children-and-young-adults/advice-for-parents/help-your-child-beat-exam-stress/>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coping-with-exam-pressure-a-guide-for-students/coping-with-exam-pressure-a-guide-for-students>

https://www.studentminds.org.uk/examstress.html?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery

This letter outlines the arrangements for Year 13 students in the run up to their external exams.

Written exams commence from Monday 12th May. Please be aware of the following:

- **Students will commence Study Leave on Friday 9th May. Therefore, students will no longer be required to attend timetabled lessons.** As in previous years, teachers may schedule extra revision sessions with students. Teachers will communicate these arrangements to students. When attending revision sessions or their exams students are required to use the Victoria Road entrance. Students are also reminded that they should attend school wearing their lanyards. They are also required to be in business dress.
- On the days of their exams, students should arrive in school at 8:40am and line up for 8:45am to enter the exam.
- For afternoon exams, students should be in school and lined up at 12:45pm

Friday 9th May – Year 13 Celebration Service and Assembly

A Celebration Service will take place on Friday 9th May. Students can wear their own clothes, dressing appropriately (no crop tops or short cycle shorts). After the service, students will meet in the Common Room for their Celebration Assembly. After the celebration, students are free to leave and make their own way home at 2:30pm. We are very much looking forward to reflecting on and celebrating our students' time with us.

Year 13 Celebration Dinner – Thursday 3rd July

The Year 13 Celebration Dinner will take place on Thursday 3rd July at The Village Hotel, The Green Business Park, Dog Kennel Lane, Shirley, Solihull B90 4JG.

Students may arrive from 7:00pm. It promises to be a lovely evening with staff and students enjoying a two course meal to celebrate their time with us.

Students will need to make their own travel arrangements to and from the Prom venue.

Students have had access to the overall Summer Examination timetable; this is on our website and can be found here:

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The timetable is also in their year group Google Classroom. Personalised copies will be given to students after the Easter holiday. Please talk to your child about their upcoming exams and their revision. We understand that over Easter students will need a break, however it is important that they strike a balance with maintaining their revision.

Results Day – Thursday 14th August

A Level and Level 3 results are available from 9:00am

Thank you for all your support, not just during this examination period, but also for the duration of time your child has spent at Archbishop Ilsley Catholic School and Sixth Form. We look forward to some very positive results on A Level results day.

Yours sincerely

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