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> **Principal Shaun Strydom MEd**

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Dear Parent/Carers

As we are approaching the final few days before this year's examination season commences, I thought it timely to review and confirm the final plans.

Examinations

The examination season officially commences on Monday 15th May 2023, which is the first day of the May break. Individual and bespoke timetables can be accessed on the EduLink app, and students have been issued with a paper copy. It is important to remember that examinations will be taking place throughout the May break (Monday 15th May – Friday 26th May 2023) and that school transport is not running during this period so individual transport arrangements will need to be made. Morning examinations commence at 9am, with afternoon examinations commencing at 1pm. Students should arrive no less than 20 minutes before the start of the exam. Students may leave after their exam has finished, can stay on with permission from duty staff, or for a planned revision session with their teachers (see below). Please note that the restaurant will not be in operation during the May break so students will need to bring food in for their lunch.

Revision during the May break

Revision sessions will be facilitated over the break to support students with final preparations before their examinations. The timetable for planned sessions can be found at the end of this letter. All students are encouraged to attend these sessions so as not to be disadvantaged. During the May break, if students do not have an examination or a revision session scheduled, then they are not expected to be in school.

Term 5

Due to the structure of the Brooke Weston Academic year, students also benefit from a week in school without examinations during the local authority/national half-term. To balance academic support with wellbeing and reducing exam fatigue, students will benefit from a 5-day weekend in the middle of the exam season. With no exams on Friday 26th May, students will not be expected in school, with lessons recommencing on Wednesday 31st May 2023.

Lessons will continue throughout the start of term 5 for all students. The final day that students are expected to be in school is Friday 16th June; after this date students will only need to attend for any remaining examinations.





Examination guidance from Ofqual

Ofqual have published new exam information resources for schools, colleges and parents on qualifications arrangements for 2023. It explains how Ofqual will regulate awarding organisations and how qualifications will be regulated in 2023. The guidance covers qualifications including GCSE, AS and A Levels and Vocational courses. Ofqual's Chief Regulator Dr Jo Saxton has also written an open letter to parents to explain arrangements and the support in place for exams this summer, as well as the information available to students. This letter can be accessed here.

Further statutory guidance produced by JCQ in relation to this summer's examinations can be found here.

Thank you for your continued support, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all students the very best of luck in their examinations.

Yours sincerely

Shaun Strydom

Principal

Revision sessions: Year 11

			EXAMINATIONS		REVISION SESSIONS	
Week	Day	Date	Morning	Afternoon	Morning	Afternoon
Holiday 1	Mon	15th May		Drama	Biology [ATA] 1000-1200 Drama [CKR] 1130-1230	Maths Foundation [LDU, MTU]1200- 1400 Maths Higher [EOB] 1200-1400
	Tue	16th May	Biology	Media Studies	French [NPR] 1100-1330	English Lit [SAW, LFI] 1400-1600
	Wed	17th May	English Literature	Sport Studies	History [LHO] 1100-1330 Geography [KGL] 1100-1330	Business [CAB, DCL] 1400-1600
	Thu	18th May	History	Business	Maths Foundation [WGE] 0930- 1130	Maths Foundation [WGE] 1130-1330
	Fri	19th May	Maths	Computer Science	Geography [KGL] 1100-1300	Chemistry [SHU & LHG] 1400-1600
Holiday 2	Mon	22nd May	Chemistry	Geography		
	Tue	23rd May	French [L&R]			English Lit [RLI, LEP, JJO & CBR] 1300- 1500
	Wed	24th May	English Literature	Media Studies		Physics [ATA, JBL] 1100-1330
	Thu	25th May	Physics	Computer Science		DT Revision [JBR] 1200-1400
	Fri	26th May				

Revision sessions: Year 13

			EXAMINATIONS		REVISION SESSIONS	
Week	Day	Date	Morning	Afternoon	Morning	Afternoon
Holiday 1	Mon	15th May	CTEC IT		Psychology [ECR] 0900-1200 Applied Science Unit 1 [SKM] 0900-1200 CTEC Business [DCL] 0900-1100	Physical Geography [KGL] 1330-1530
	Tue	16th May	CTEC Business	CTEC H⪼	Physical Geography [KGL] 1000-1200	Physical Geography [KGL] 1300-1500
	Wed	17th May	Core Maths Physical Geography CTEC Applied Science		Further Maths [TAS] 1000-1400	
	Thu	18th May	CTEC Sport	AS Maths CTEC Health & Social		
	Fri	19th May	Psychology	CTEC IT		
Holiday 2	Mon	22nd May	Sociology		Business [CAB] 0900-1200 Applied Science Unit 2 [SKM] 0900-1200	Business [CAB] 1200-1500 EnglishLanguage [LEP] 1300-1500
	Tue	23rd May	Business	CTEC Business CTEC H⪼	English Literature [JJO] 0900-1100	English Literature [LFI] 1200-1430 History: Tudors [LHO] 1300-1500
	Wed	24th May	History CTEC Applied Science CTEC Sport	Physics Core maths English Literature		
	Thu	25th May	English Language	CTEC IT Psychology	Maths [EVA] 1000-1300 DT [JBR] 0900-1200	
	Fri	26th May				