



Friday 4th May 2018

Dear Year 11 Parents,

Year 11 Examinations

Firstly, I would like to congratulate the Year 11 students on their positive attitude, focus and approach towards the GCSE examinations undertaken so far. The feedback from staff leading the examinations has been extremely encouraging.

Examination Timetable

This afternoon students have been issued with a personalised copy of their examination timetables and information regarding the 2017-18 JCQ regulations. All guidelines for the 2018 examination series are accessible on the school website and all exam dates have been added to the school calendar and the calendar viewable on the school app. This information can be found under the 'Parents' and 'Students' section of the school website (www.tarletonacademy.org).

Study Leave

To ensure students have ample time to revise for their subjects, Tarleton Academy is allowing them to undertake study leave from lunchtime on Friday 25th May. During study leave students should ensure that they study in an appropriate working environment between the hours of 08:45 – 15:15, when they would normally be at school. For the students who feel they would benefit from studying in school appropriate arrangements have been made to accommodate them as required. Students must attend in full school uniform if they choose to study in school.

Study Support Sessions

History will be hosting a study support session on the Friday during the May half term in order to prepare students for the examination on Monday 4th June at 09.00. The session will be open to all History students and a personalised invitation will be set as a task on Firefly, which parents can view on their Firefly account. All students attending these sessions will need to bring their own refreshments and they must sign in and out at the office in the main building.

From Monday 4th June, whilst students are on study leave, subject teachers will be conducting study support sessions in place of normal lessons – students are strongly advised to attend these sessions, although they are not compulsory. The timetable for all these sessions is published overleaf and is entitled 'Study Support Sessions 2018'.

Students have access to a significant number of revision resources and should refer to the Year 11 booklet, which was distributed at parents' evening and is available on the parent and exam sections on Firefly. This booklet clearly signposts them to appropriate revision resources.

During the Examination Series

All students are attending their timetabled lessons until the morning of Friday 25th May during which the following will occur:

- Where there are morning examinations scheduled with a start time of 09:00 the Academy is providing a free breakfast of toast and juice in Conference Room 2 from 08:30.



- Students should make their way to the changing rooms or their designated examination venue depending on the location of their exam for 08:45 to ensure an orderly and prompt start to the exams at 9am.
- For afternoon examinations, students will leave timetabled lessons at 12:20 and have a lunch break in the Mersey Dining room. Students will be supervised until the afternoon examinations start at 13:00. (*For students with exam concessions some afternoon examinations start earlier than 13:00. Please see personalised timetable for further details.*)

During study leave students are expected to be at school at least **30** minutes before their exams are due to commence and must attend in full school uniform:

- Morning arrangements will be as above.
- For afternoon examinations after half-term, students should enter school through the main gates, which will be staffed from 12.20, and sign into school at the Mersey Dining room. Lunch will be available to purchase for those who require it. Students will then be supervised until the afternoon examinations start at 13:00. (*For students with exam concessions some afternoon examinations start earlier than 13:00. Please see personalised timetable for further details.*)
- Students not remaining in school after the examinations will need to sign out at the main of office before they leave the school site.

Yr 11 Final Assembly

On Friday 25th May, all Year 11 students have their English Literature examination, which starts at 09:00 and finishes at approximately 11:30. Students must be in full school uniform, not defaced so they are fully focused on the exam. After the examination, students will have the opportunity to have refreshments, sign leavers' books and sign school shirts. Students must bring a spare shirt for signing if they wish to partake in this tradition. We will then host a 'Final Year 11 Assembly' when we will clarify the expectations for study leave and the examination procedures after the half-term break. We will also take time to reflect on the students' time at Tarleton Academy and celebrate their secondary school years.

Students will finish school at 13:10 and will be expected to have left the site by 13:50 so that the rest of school can resume normal business. We would expect our students to maintain their high standards in the community after this time. I would like to remind students that attendance at the Valedictory Dinner, on Thursday 28th June, is very much dependent upon them approaching their final few weeks in school in the manner we expect.

Finally, all the staff at Tarleton Academy would like to wish all our students well in their forthcoming examinations. We are extremely pleased and proud of the application and dedication shown by them in preparation for these exams, and we are confident that if they continue to focus their study in the same manner they will enjoy deserved success in the summer.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank parents for their co-operation, continued support and encouragement over these crucial months. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Yours sincerely,

M Cunniffe

L Gwinnett

Mr M Cunniffe
Head of School

Mrs L A Gwinnett
Executive Headteacher

Outstanding education at the heart of the community



Study Support Sessions 2018

- Please arrive 10min prior to the start of the session
- Please sign in and sign out when you leave school at reception.
- Make sure you come equipped for the session, ready to work and learn effectively!

Friday 1st June	Half term Revision Session	History: Mr Gwinnett 10am-1pm
--------------------	-------------------------------	-------------------------------

Day	AM Exam	P1 8.45am-9.50am	P2 9.50am-10.50am	P3 11.10am-12.10pm	P4 12.10pm-1.10pm	PM Exam	Pm Reg 1.50pm-2.15pm	P5 2.15pm-3.15pm
Monday 4th June	History Paper 1			Geography English Language			English Language: Repeat session for Geography students	
Tuesday 5th June	English Lang Paper 1			Spanish Music Geography		Geography Paper 2		
Wednesday 6th June	Spanish Listen & Reading	Maths: Higher Tier Maths: Foundation Tier		Maths: Higher Tier: Repeat P1&2 Session Maths: Foundation Tier: Repeat P1&2 Session		Portuguese Reading Music	Maths: Higher Tier: Repeat P1& 2 Session Maths: Foundation Tier: Repeat P1&2 Session	
Thursday 7th June	Maths Paper 2			History English Language			English Language: Repeat session for History students	
Friday 8th June	English Lang Paper 2			Biology History		History Paper 2	Biology	
Monday 11th June	Biology			Maths all Tiers Geography		Geography Paper 3	Maths all Tiers	
Tuesday 12th June	Maths Paper 3			History Chemistry		History Paper 3	Chemistry	
Wednesday 13th June	Chemistry			Spanish Food			Food: Repeat session for Spanish Students	
Thursday 14th June	Spanish Writing			Physics		Food Preparation & Nutrition	Physics	
Friday 15th June	Physics			German		Polish Listening		
Wednesday 20th June	Polish Reading & Writing						German	