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Year 11 GCSE Examinations

Dear Families,

I hope this letter finds you well. I wanted to provide you with all the key information for our Year 11 pupils in order to ensure that the forthcoming weeks go as smoothly as possible for you and your child.

Firstly, I want to say how proud we are of Year 11 and the work they have done so far. The next few weeks are crucially important and I am sure you will agree that having a well-structured revision programme in place is essential for success. In addition to this, please do encourage your child to take a sensible amount of time out from their studies, making sure they get plenty of rest and exercise is just as important as revising at this stage of Year 11.

Below I have outlined key pieces of information and I encourage you to take the time to read this with your child.

Examinations

- GCSE written examinations start on **Thursday 8th May 2025**.
- Pupils have been provided with individual timetables. The full exam timetable is available [here](#).
- Unless otherwise stated, morning exams begin at 0900 and afternoon exams begin at 1300.
- Pupils should arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the start of exams.
- If for any reason your child is delayed or absent, it is essential that the school is contacted immediately - please call reception on 0191 4569121.
- Pupils must be considerate of others and ensure they are well behaved at all times

Examination Contingency

- Whilst the examination timetable is set, this year's contingency dates have been organised in case a national event means dates / times of exams change.
- We are required to ensure that some dates are kept available should there be any need for contingency arrangements. Contingency days are designed to be used in the event of national or significant local disruption to examinations, and all pupils taking exams during the summer season must be available on these days.
- I therefore remind you that pupils are required to be available up to and including:
 - 11 June [pm]
 - 25 June [am and pm]

- Please avoid booking any holidays or other engagements which may overlap with this.

You can find out more details about arrangements for this year’s examinations by visiting Ofqual’s student guide: [Ofqual Student Guide to Exams and Assessments in 2025 - GOV.UK](#)

Revision During the Exam Period

- All pupils are expected to attend school as normal during the examination season.
- When not in exams, pupils will have structured revision lessons or will attend drop-down revision sessions to prepare for upcoming exams.
- Our lunch and after-school revision [timetable](#) will continue throughout the examination window.

GCSE Results

- Results will be available from school between 08:00-10:00 on Thursday 21st August 2025.
- Please note that results cannot be given out over the telephone or via e-mail.
- If pupils are unable to collect their results in person, please contact Mrs Scott before 17th July 2025 [admin@st-wilfrids.org].

Registration for Sixth Form Courses

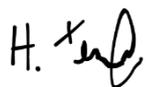
- Sixth Form registration will take place on Thursday 21st August 2025.
- Pupils will have the opportunity to discuss their options with a member of the Sixth Form team / senior staff on results day.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our Year 11 pupils the very best in their forthcoming exams and thank you for your continued support.

As ever, if you have any queries about the above information, please contact their Head of House on the emails listed below:

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Best Wishes,



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