

Our ref: HG/EFi  
March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

**Final GCSE Examinations 2026, Results Day and Exam Leave**

GCSE examinations begin on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May** and we would like to take this opportunity to signpost some of the key arrangements for the next few important months. Attached to this letter is the general examination timetable; before May 7<sup>th</sup> your child will receive a personalised copy of their examination timetable; the personalised timetable will detail dates, times, seat numbers and exam locations. We advise all families to note their child's examinations in family calendars. Ofqual have also published a final examination guide which can be found on this link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/ofqual-student-guide-to-exams-and-assessments-in-2026>

Year 11 students will remain in school doing a combination of exams and lessons from Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May to Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May. On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May, following the GCSE English Literature paper (completed at 11.15), students will go to break and period 3. At 12.00pm teachers will bring students to the front of school for our traditional goodbye and students will be sent home at 12.30pm. GCSE Computer Science students will remain on site for their GCSE Exam in the afternoon.

Students will have the opportunity to sign **spare** shirts during period 3 on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May when we will say our goodbyes; **please note these shirts cannot be worn during exams**. From Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May Year 11 students will only attend school for examinations and scheduled revision sessions.

GCSE examination results day is on **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August**; timings for each form to collect their results are below. Students who are unable to collect their results will need to contact school in writing if they wish to nominate an individual to collect them on their behalf; nominated individuals will need to bring a form of photo identification to collect the results and arrive at the allocated time for the child they are representing. These letters must be in school before the end of the academic year. In addition, any students who are absent on Results Day and have intentions to enrol in our 6<sup>th</sup> Form must inform the 6<sup>th</sup> Form team before the end of term [Sixthformadmissions@taptonschool.co.uk](mailto:Sixthformadmissions@taptonschool.co.uk)

Arrival time	9.00am	9.20am	9.40am	10.00am	BREAK	10.30am	10.50am	11.30am
Form	11ON 11EN	11JA	11KM 11HD	11RB		11TK 11RG	11HF	Y10, Y12 and Y13

Please look out for more communication from us in the forthcoming weeks, however, if you have any questions, please do contact me directly [hgrewal@taptonschool.co.uk](mailto:hgrewal@taptonschool.co.uk)

Yours sincerely




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