



Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Dear Parents,

## Key Stage 3 Summer Examinations

In the course of a normal year, we would now be at the point where we would be holding our Key Stage 3 Examinations, where our students would gain experience in sitting exams in a formal setting. Whilst we still feel that it is important for students to know and practise examination protocol; thereby acquiring and developing good examination techniques, we are mindful of the disruption to their education caused by the global pandemic and its associated problems. We have, therefore taken the decision to hold some of our exams for Years 7, 8 & 9 in a classroom environment.

Exams for English, Maths and Science will, however, take place in the exam hall, in order to give students some opportunity to become familiar with the environment in which they will eventually sit their public examinations.

Currently all of the subjects students will be studying at GCSE level will require students to sit formal external exams at the end of the course and over the following academic years we feel that introducing students to this setting earlier, rather than later, allows them to get used to the challenges and atmosphere of the exam hall.

Whilst we are confident that the classroom is the right setting for some examinations this year, we will still be ensuring that the same high standards of behaviour and preparation are maintained.

The English assessments for Year 7 and 8 will be examined electronically and, as such, students must ensure that they have their fully charged Chromebook with them.

The Key Stage 3 examinations are used to inform students, teachers and parents about the progress made thus far. This allows us to both celebrate successes and to better intervene where students have found certain aspects of the curriculum difficult. As such, we will be providing you with a progress report at the end of this half term.

The exams for subjects other than English, Maths and Science will begin on **Monday 21st June**, with teachers informing their students of when each exam will be. The examinations taking place in the Sports Hall will be in the week commencing **Monday 28th June**.

Please take the time to look at the attached timetable. We will soon be giving students further information, including their seat numbers, the conduct required in the classroom and equipment needed for their examinations. Thank you for your continued support. If you wish to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me at [enquiries@tarletonacademy.org](mailto:enquiries@tarletonacademy.org) or via the school office.

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Yours faithfully,

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**KS3 Examination Timetable: Sports Hall Sessions**

Day	P1 8.50am-9.50am	P2 9.50am-10.50am	P3 11.10am-12.10pm	P4 12.10pm-1.10pm	Pm Reg 1.50pm-2.15pm	P5 2.15pm-3.15pm
Monday 28th June	YR9 MATHS Paper 1 50mins		YR7 ENGLISH 'Chromebooks' 45mins 7T- Mrs Barlow 7A - Miss Piling 7R - Mrs Barlow/Miss Piling			
Tuesday 29th June		YR7 MATHS 45 mins	YR9 SCIENCE 1HR30		YR8 ENGLISH 'Chromebooks' 45mins 8T- Mrs Gill 8A - Miss Piling 8R - Mr Taylor	
Wednesday 30th June	YR8 ENGLISH 'Chromebooks' 45mins 8L- Mr Curtis 8E - Mrs Montague 8N- Mr Taylor		YR7 SCIENCE 45 mins		YR9 ENGLISH 1HR	
Thursday 1st July	YR8 MATHS 45 mins				YR9 MATHS Paper 2 50mins	
Friday 2nd July	YR8 SCIENCE 45 mins		YR7 ENGLISH 'Chromebooks' 45mins 7L- Mrs Gill 7E - Mrs Montague 7N- Mrs Montague			