The crest of Kings' School is a shield with a red background and a gold border. It features a gold lion rampant on the left and a gold eagle with wings spread on the right. A gold banner at the bottom contains the Latin motto 'VNA LABORANTES'.

Kings' School

Year 11 Study Skills Evening

Wednesday 22nd March
2023



Introduction – Mr M Gunning, Head of Year 11

Presentations:

Mr C. Duckering – Year 11 Calendar

Mrs L. Lee - Preparing for Exams and a Parent's Experience

Final words – Mr M Gunning

YEAR 11 KEY DATES

2023

End of Spring Term

- 'Statement of Entry'
Letter to parents
Examination timetable

1st Apr/16th Apr

- **EASTER HOLIDAY**

Beginning of Summer Term

- **MFL speaking tests**

Mon 15th May

- **First formal GCSE paper**



YEAR 11 KEY DATES

2023

27 May/ 4 Jun

- HALF TERM

Wed 28 Jun

- Contingency Date

Thurs 24 Aug

- GCSE Results day

Fri 15 Sept

**- Deadline for
Enquiries upon Results
(Provisional)**



Prior to GCSE Exams

Spring Term:

GCSE timetable is given out to pupils & parents.

Please ensure all exam entries are checked and are what you are expecting

Exam Clashes:

Miss Lewis will meet with pupils who have an exam clash to advise of the plan.

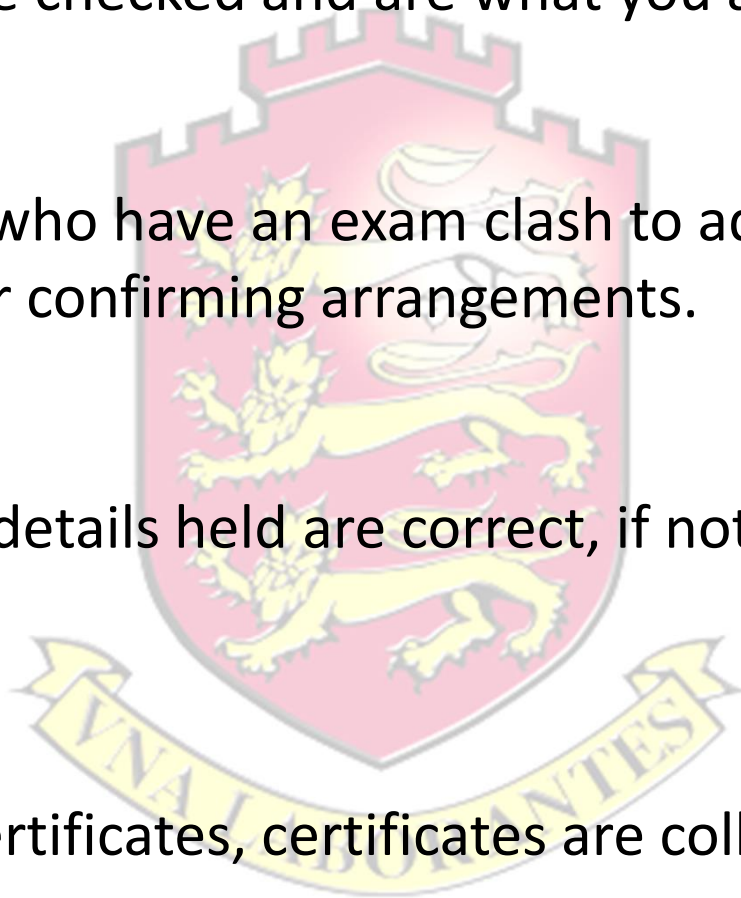
Your child will bring home a letter confirming arrangements.

Legal Name checking:

All pupils need to check that the details held are correct, if not then we need to see proof of legal name.

Paying £3.50:

This is for the postage of GCSE Certificates, certificates are collected the money is returned.



Pupils' attendance at the Exam

- GCSE Exams start at 9am in the morning and 1pm in the afternoon.
- All pupils should be in school 30 minutes before the start of the exam.
- Should there be a reason why your child is unable to sit their exam, please notify us ASAP via the school office followed by a letter from you giving details of the reason for absence for the attention of Miss Lewis – Exams Officer.

What to bring to each Exam

ESSENTIAL EXAM EQUIPMENT

Clear water bottle – filled with water only

Clear pencil case containing:

2 Black pens
sharp pencil
ruler
rubber
sharpener.

A few exams require coloured pencils- (such as Photography and Design & Technology).

Calculator with no case



Students MUST have 2 Pens, 2 Pencils, Rubber, Ruler, Sharpener, Compass, Protractor and Scientific Calculator in a clear pencil case or plastic bag.

Do not bring

These will be collected before entering exam room

All pupils will be **scanned** for unauthorised equipment.

Please remind son/daughter to **empty pockets** of metal objects

Phones

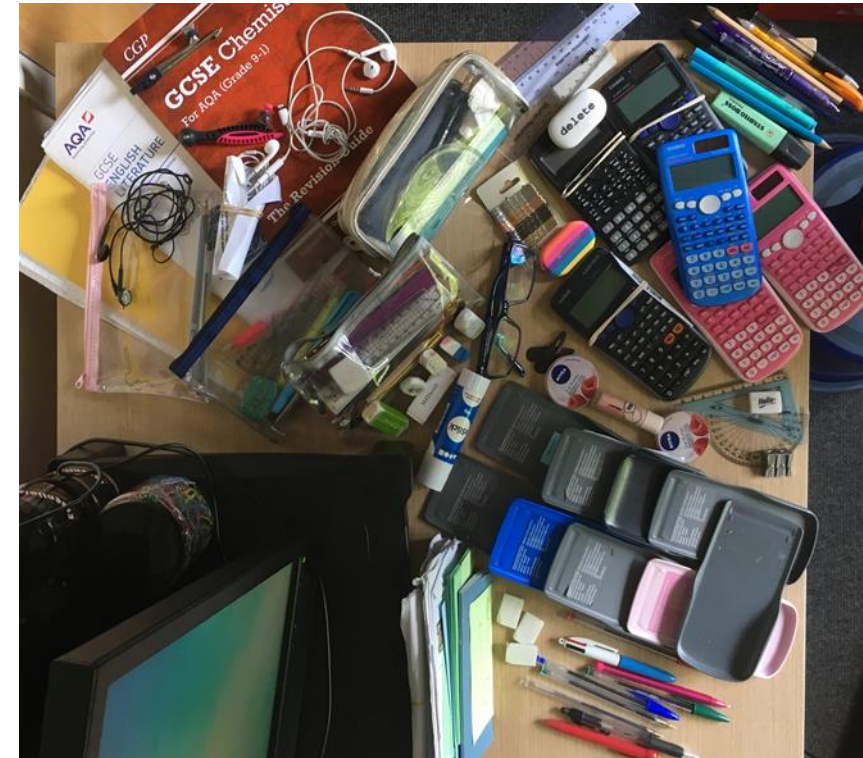
Ear phones

Watches and any electronic devices

SD Cards, USB's

Written notes

Lip balm/hand cream



Above are items that have been left after GCSE exams.

Contingency Day



Joint Council for
Qualifications

In the highly unlikely event that there is **national disruption** to a day of examinations in summer 2023, as a last resort the affected examinations will be **rescheduled**, every effort would be taken to keep the impact to a minimum, it is also possible that there could be more than one timetabled date affected following the disruption, up to and including the **contingency day on 28 June 2023**.

Results Day August 2023

- They are the results of the pupil, only the pupil has the right to see them.
- Review of Marking – Talk to the relevant department first day back in September
- Results day = 10:00 to 12:00 24th August

Exam Boards



Computer Science
RS



Child Development
Health & Social
Sports Studies




English Language
English Literature
German
Italian
Psychology
Music
Geography
Drama
Science
History
Design & Technology
PE



Spanish
Maths
BEE
Italian
French



Latin
Media
Food and Nut.
Art and Design
Textiles
Photography



**Getting
ready
for exams**

How much independent study and when ?

- Depends on the pupil!
- Chunks of 20 mins on / 5 mins break in a couple of sections before a longer break.
- Encourage reluctant studiers to “do the first five minutes”
- Couple of hours on a school night, a little more at the weekend but allow time for friends and family as well as hobbies.

Find the focus and lose the distractions

- Make a timetable of when exams are.
- Chat with your son or daughter about what they really want from their GCSEs and what needs to happen for this to be achieved.
- Plan study time and factor in rest breaks/time for leisure activities.
- “Choose your five favourite phone apps and delete them.”

Encourage your son/daughter to.....

- Get brave about what they don't know.
- Ask teachers for help with what they are finding difficult (be specific).
- Work out what is required in different exams – key rubric/mark schemes etc.
- NOT try to learn new things just before an exam – it will not stick.

How to revise

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Popular but not highly effective:

- Re-reading notes
- Highlighting
- Summarising (copying notes from one place to the next)

Highly effective:

- Active retrieval – tests, practice questions, making notes from memory

Strategies for the final stretch

- Encourage self-testing.
- Try to minimise panic and focus on what they do know
- Encourage good sleep the night before and a decent breakfast.

A few last thoughts.....

- Do not grow problems (either in school or on social media).
- When an exam is done, forget it. There is only one direction to go in.
- Get some fresh air every day. Eat good, healthy food.
- Keep some perspective - GCSEs are a bunch of keys that open doors.

Growing Great Learners



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Any questions?

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**The Joys of Being
a Year 11 Parent – Mrs Lee**





Water and the sea
Water is pumped into the sea (usually) the waves
the water potential in the sea and land are
higher depending on the level above the sea
the water moves a water potential gradient
water is lost in the water and then an amount
higher and a water potential gradient is formed again,
the water is lost again, water goes to the surface
and it moves into the system where a
water potential gradient.

Capillary Action
Transpiration Pull
Water Molecule Cohesion

Biomolecules	
Monomer	Polymer
Glucose	Starch
Amino acids	Proteins
Nucleotides	Nucleic acids
Sugars	Polysaccharides
Fatty acids	Lipids





