



Kings' School
Year 11 Study Skills Evening

Wednesday 17th January
2024

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Mr M Gunning, Head of Year 11

Presenters:

Mr C. Duckering
Mr M Gunning

The crest of Kings' School Winchester is a shield with a purple background and a gold border. It features three gold lions passant guardant on a pale. The shield is topped with a gold crenellated crown. Below the shield, the motto 'UNA LABORANTES' is written in gold capital letters.

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YEAR 11 KEY DATES

2024

End of Spring Term

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'Statement of Entry'

Letter to parents

Examination timetable

29th Mar/14th Apr

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EASTER HOLIDAY

Beginning of Summer Term

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MFL speaking tests

Thurs 9th May

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First formal GCSE paper

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YEAR 11 KEY DATES

2024

25 May/ 2 Jun

- HALF TERM

Wed 26 Jun

- Contingency Date

Thurs 22 Aug

- GCSE Results day

Fri 13 Sept

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

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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:

The Exams Officer 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 The Exams Officer.

What to bring to each Exam

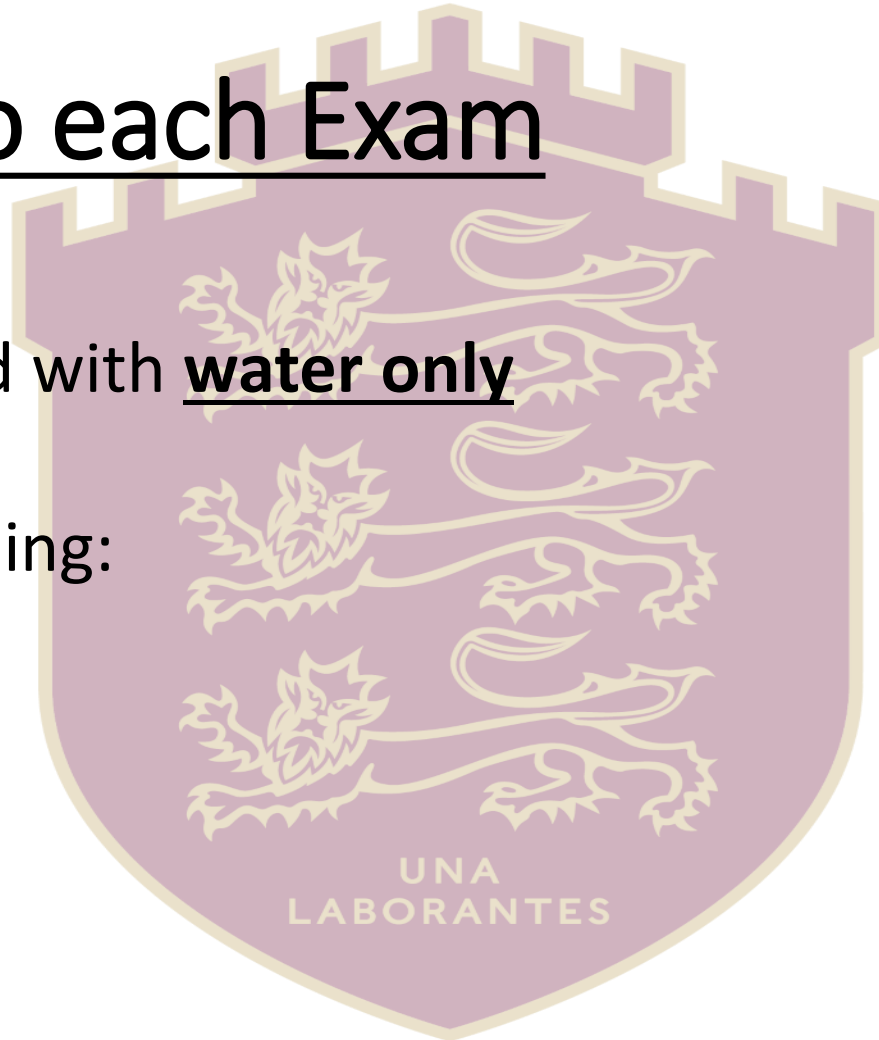
Clear water bottle – filled with water only

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



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ESSENTIAL EXAM EQUIPMENT



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

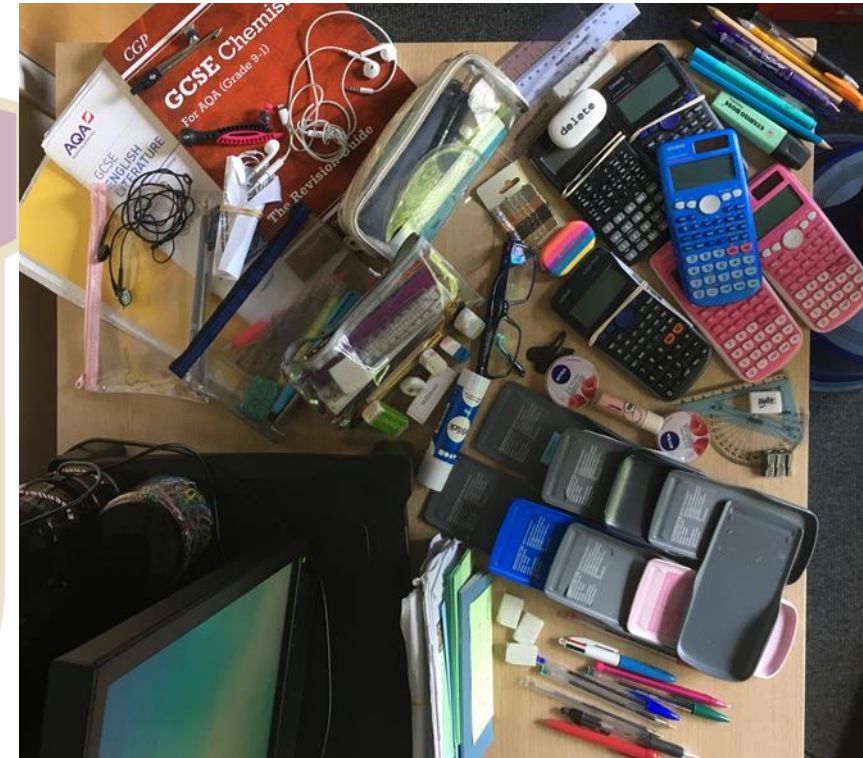
Ear phones

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 2024, 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 26 June 2024.**

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Results Day August 2024

- 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 22nd August

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Exam Boards



Computer Science



Child Development
Health & Social
Sports Studies



English Language
English Literature

German

Italian

Psychology

Music

Geography

Drama

Science

History

Design & Technology

PE and RS



Spanish

Maths

BEE

Italian

French



Latin


Media

Food and Nut.

Art and Design

Textiles

Photography

The crest of the University of Winchester is centered in the background. It features a purple shield with a gold crown on top. The shield is divided into four quadrants, each containing a gold lion passant guardant. A gold scroll or ribbon curves across the shield, and the Latin motto 'UNA LABORANTES' is written in gold at the bottom of the shield.

**GETTING
READY
FOR EXAMS**

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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

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

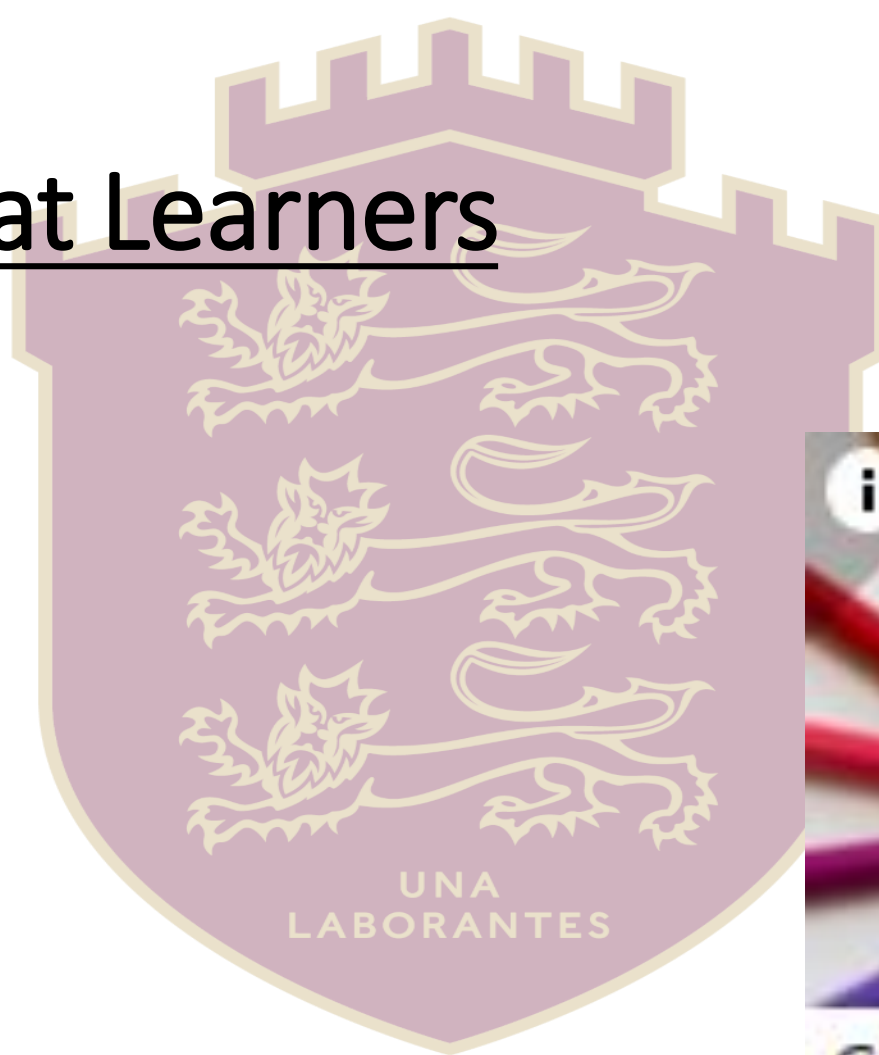
Strategies for the final stretch

- 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.

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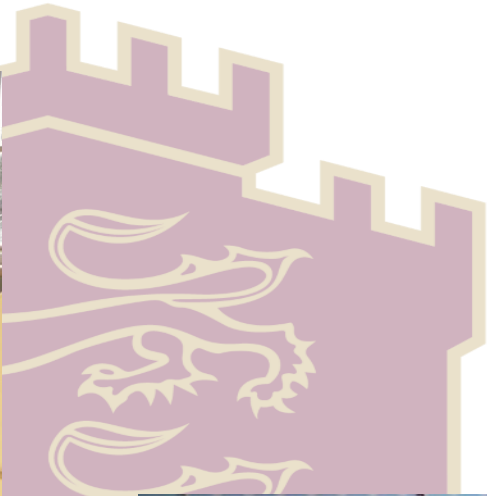
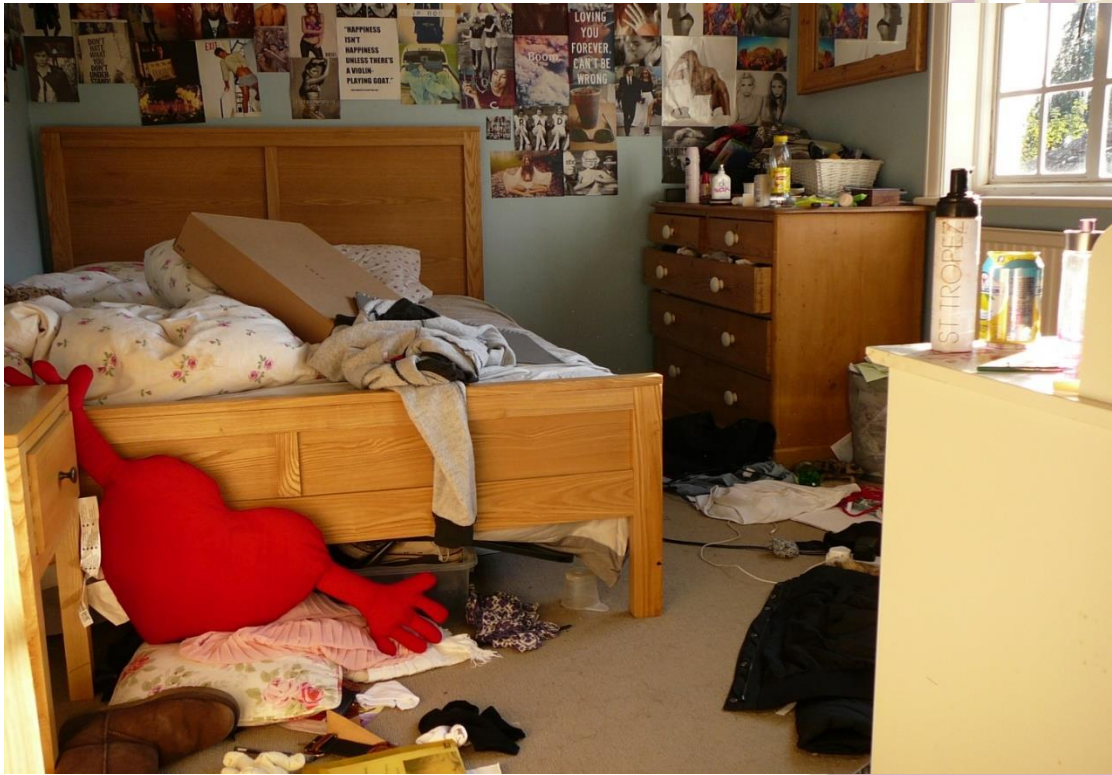


**THE JOYS OF BEING
A YEAR 11 PARENT**

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