



07 March 2022

Dear Parents/ Carers and Students of Year 11,

### **Advanced Information for Exams and Exam Arrangements**

I am writing to you regarding the Public Examinations for GCSE and BTEC subjects which the Government has confirmed will take place this summer.

Advanced Information has been released from Exam Boards detailing any changes that will be made to the Summer Exams, for example a choice of topics where previously there had not been, or more narrow and specific guidance of what topic will be on the exams.

As a school we have been looking carefully at the Advanced Information to make sure we can make the best possible use of the remaining time before the exams begin, and students should make sure they are fully aware of the changes to their exams and what they need to know, and what they do not need to know. Our teachers will be guiding students to prioritise their learning in school, but it will also be crucial for students to prioritise their revision to focus on the things that will be on their exams. Students will have been made aware of the changes (if applicable) in their subjects, but we have also uploaded links to these documents on the website for you to see. You can find this exam information available here:

<https://www.rooksheath.harrow.sch.uk/page/?title=ADVANCE+INFORMATION+2022&pid=650>

There will be no 'Study Leave' or 'Exam Leave' during the May examinations. We have made this decision after careful consideration of the amount of face-to-face teaching time students have missed and the range of revision activities we will provide students at school. We are willing to make special consideration for exceptional cases for students to begin their study leave from the 16 May according to the following criteria:

- Parental request in written form (email) or via personal telephone conversation where parents / carers are confident that their child is independent enough to study at home and be organised to attend all scheduled exams.
- Students who are at or above their target grades across all subjects and have endorsement from their teachers.
- Students have demonstrated their independence and maturity by getting an average score of 4 for homework in their latest school report.

Please note that we will keep all parental requests on file for future reference and the responsibility for learning at home will rest with you as parents/carers.

If you wish for your child to be considered for this, please email Mr Todd at [ptodd@rooksheath.harrow.sch.uk](mailto:ptodd@rooksheath.harrow.sch.uk) and we will consider the request for your child.



It is our expectation that students are currently revising for at least five days a week for at least one to two hours at a time to ensure they are fully prepared for their summer exams. Many thanks for your support in this.

If you have any questions or queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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