

07 May 2021

Dear Year 12 Students and Parents/Carers of Year 12 Students,

### **Assessment Arrangements**

Year 12 students will soon begin their Summer Assessment Season for the subjects listed in the table below. Teachers will use these Summer Assessments to inform their overall TAGs, and so it is in students' best interests to revise thoroughly in order to do well. Please note that students have only been formally entered for the AS examinations for the subject that they have indicated they do not want to continue to Year 13. Consequently, the majority of Summer Assessments are scheduled to take place on the morning of Wednesday 26th May. The arrangements for these assessments are as follows:

- Students who fail to bring their ID badges to school (both for assessments and for their entry to the school site) will be refused entry to their exam. New ID badges can be purchased on ParentPay.
- Students who do not follow the school's dress code will be sent home to change.
- For morning assessments, students should arrive to school by 9:00am and line up outside their designated exam room.
- Following a morning assessment, students should attend any timetabled lessons they have for the remainder of the day.
- For afternoon assessments, students should arrive at school by 1:10pm and line up outside their designated exam room.
- Following an afternoon assessment, students will be dismissed off site.
- Students must attend all their assessments.
- AS students in Year 12 that are sitting a Summer Assessment should not attend school on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May in order to revise for their AS Assessment on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>.

### **Awarding of Qualifications**

As you are aware, this year teachers will be assessing students and students will be awarded with AS and vocational qualifications based on Teacher Assessed Grades. Teachers will be using a range of evidence to comprise a holistic grade which is based on the quality of the work produced.

Rooks Heath Staff have a rigorous internal quality assurance process which will involve teachers moderating and standardising within departments to ensure fair judgements. All Year 12 teachers have taken part in training to ensure Teacher Assessed Grades are fair, including training on unconscious bias. There will be a thorough system of checks by Heads of Department, the Assessment Team and the Senior Leadership Team to ensure grades that students are awarded are based on a range of evidence and that no errors are made. Please note that any attempts to influence a teacher in any way to award a certain grade will be considered malpractice and reported to the examination board. We will take any such attempts very seriously. Please also note that we cannot disclose (to students or parents) the final Teacher Assessed Grades until Results Day which is on 10<sup>th</sup> August when students will be able to collect their results from school from 11am.

Below you will find a table indicating which evidence is being used to inform Teacher Assessed Grades for each subject.

Qualification name	Evidence that will be used to inform Teacher Assessed Grades
AS Biology	Spring Assessment; Summer Assessment
AS Business Studies	20-mark questions in exam conditions; Spring Assessment; Summer Assessment
AS Chemistry	Module 2.1 test (November 2020); Module 2.2 test (November 2020); Spring Assessment; Summer Assessment
AS Classical Greek	Autumn Assessments; Spring Assessment; Summer Assessment
AS Computer Science	December combined assessments (Paper 1 and 2); Web technologies assessment; Spring Assessments (Paper 1 and 2); Summer Assessment
AS Economics	End of topic test on Micro; Spring Assessment on Micro; Summer Assessment on Macro
AS Geography	Spring Assessment; Summer Assessment (Coastal Landscapes/Regenerating Places)
AS Latin	Autumn Assessments; Spring Assessment; Summer Assessment
AS Psychology	Spring Assessment; Summer Assessment
AS Sociology	Assessment books; Spring Assessment; Summer Assessment
AS Maths	Spring Assessment; Summer Assessment
AS Further Maths	Spring Assessment; Summer Assessment
AS Physics	Spring Assessment; Summer Assessment
Criminology Level 3 Certificate	Spring Assessment Unit 2; Controlled Assessment Unit 1; Summer Assessment Unit 2
GCSE Maths resit	Spring Assessment; Summer Assessment
GCSE English Language resit	November resit (if applicable); Spring Assessment (Component 1: 20 <sup>th</sup> Century Fiction and Creative Prose); Summer Assessment (Component 1: 20 <sup>th</sup> Century Fiction and Creative Prose); in class assessment (AO3 Comparison question)

If you have any queries or questions specific to the evidence that will be used, please email [idas@rooksheath.harrow.sch.uk](mailto:idas@rooksheath.harrow.sch.uk). We will provide more information on how to appeal to the school about a grade you think may have been an error or unfairly given in due course.

### July Assessments

Students will have an End of Year Assessment week for subjects they will continue in Year 13 between Monday 5<sup>th</sup> and Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July. Students' predicted grades for their university applications will be based on these grades along with other assessments undertaken this year. Students' last day on site will be Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July. Students will be able to receive the results of these assessments on A/AS level Results Day, which is on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> August, from 11am.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any other questions; by emailing [contactus@rooksheath.harrow.sch.uk](mailto:contactus@rooksheath.harrow.sch.uk).

Yours sincerely,



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