

Period 6

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 11 & Year 13 Students,

In light of Mr MacCormick's letter today (with regards to changes to how students will move around the site between classrooms but have separate social spaces from the 9th of November), we have decided to postpone the launch of Period 6 until the week commencing the 16th of November. This is to allow for all students and staff to familiarise themselves with the new arrangements before launching Period 6.

The purpose of Period 6 is to allow us to support students' journey throughout the rest of Year 11 or Year 13 in preparation for exams at the end of the year. We strongly believe that, by providing additional revision sessions after school (one hour per subject per fortnight) we can better manage student wellbeing as exams get closer by ensuring that all students are supported through their revision on an ongoing basis. This helps students to revise 'little and often' throughout the year, with their teachers which helps to prevent students from feeling overwhelmed as exams get closer. This additional learning time also means that we can revisit content covered in the lockdown period to minimise any gaps in learning: for students who may have struggled to engage with work during lockdown, some of the content may feel new, for others, Period 6 provides an opportunity to recap and consolidate content.

In Year 11, students may be placed in different groups to their usual class groups. For example, these sessions provide greater flexibility for Core subjects in particular to create bespoke groups that are focussing on striving for a Grade 8 or 9 or likewise, a group of students who are looking to secure a Grade 4.

We know that students will be better prepared and supported throughout the rest of the year through attending these sessions. Year 11 and Year 13 students have historically had afterschool revision sessions provided for them but this year we have endeavoured to create a model with no 'clashes' so that students can attend all sessions.

For those of you who have already requested transport, we will shortly be in touch with confirmation of these arrangements.

Yours faithfully,

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Teachers will inform students which rooms/groups they are in.

Year 11 Period 6

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Week A	Textiles BTEC Sport	English	Maths	Science
Week B	<i>Block B & D</i>	<i>Block A & C</i>	<i>Block E</i>	<i>Block F</i>
	German	Drama	Art	Art
	Art	Geography	Computing	Business
	Food	IT	French	Geography
	History	French	History	Music
			Business	Technology
			German	BTEC Sport
				Triple Science

*BTEC Sport will have weekly sessions in the run up to their exam in December.

* The extracurricular RS GCSE will run on Week A Monday and Week B Friday after school.

*Health and Social Care students received exam grades as Centre Assessed Grades last year, this has put them 'ahead' of the usual course schedule so students do not need a Period 6 session for this subject.

* We currently are unable to fund transport for the Monday Week A Textiles and BTEC Sport sessions, please get in touch if this causes any issues and we will endeavour to find a solution.

Year 13 Period 6

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week A	Geography	Psychology	Philosophy	Art	Science
	History		Law	Business (A Level)	Textiles
				Business (Vocational)	
Week B		Photography	Biology	Sociology	English
		Physics	Computing		Core Maths
			Engineering		

*BTEC PE and Health & Social Care students received exam grades as Centre Assessed Grades last year, this has put them 'ahead' of the usual course schedule so students do not need a Period 6 session for this subject.

* Chemistry students have an additional lesson planned in to their usual timetable.

*Maths and Further Maths students have an additional lesson planned in to their usual timetable.