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Dear families

Year 11 Exam Period

As you know, GCSE examinations are now underway. Students are working hard in boosters and have commented on how well these have supported them alongside their revision at home. Thank you for support in ensuring students have taken advantage of revision sessions offered to them – we have been really impressed with the level of engagement in those sessions.

So far, the expectation remains for students to be in school as normal so that all boosters can be attended. However, once we move into the final half term of the year, and once examinations in some subjects have all been completed, students will finish school at slightly earlier times.

- For the week commencing 8 June, students will be dismissed at approximately 12.52pm every day, with the exception of the days when they have afternoon exams.
- For the week commencing 15 June, students will come in just for their exams and the short booster immediately before. Students studying Spanish will be expected to stay until 12.52pm on Monday 15 June.

This earlier finish will facilitate further independent revision at home. Where appropriate and possible, there may be opportunities for optional revision sessions to take place once students have been dismissed at the times above. If this is the case, a text will be sent to families in advance.

Some students will also be asked to attend revision sessions during the half term holidays. Texts will be sent to families regarding the sessions your child is invited to.

Whilst we would encourage students to concentrate on their studies and keeping healthy over the next few weeks, we do also appreciate they are keen to ensure the end of their time with us is celebrated appropriately. There will be a celebration assembly on 16 June following the final exam. Students sitting the Spanish exam are expected to be in on this day from 8:00am. Students who do not study Spanish are invited in from 10:00am. All students will leave the academy at 12:00pm following the end of year assembly. Following this, there will be a celebration in the evening of Friday 19 June at Trinity at 4.00-6.00pm.

Thank you for your support in ensuring that the students continue to demonstrate our value of hard work in their revision. Ideally, at this stage, the students should be working on a minimum of three topics each night and spending at least 45 minutes on each one. At the weekends, this ought to increase significantly. Your child has been provided with revision resources and a timetable by their class teacher.

Yours faithfully

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