

IB TRIAL EXAMINATIONS: January 2018

Trial Examination Leave Rules

1. There is full Examination/Study Leave for the **IB2 boys from Tuesday 9 January to Friday 19 January inclusive**; boys return to lessons as normal from Period 1 on Saturday 20 January.
2. Boys are expected to know the times of their examinations and must arrive at School in good time for the start of their examinations.
3. Exams will take place in the **Memorial Hall** unless otherwise stated on the Examination Timetable.
4. Boys are expected to attend instrumental music lessons, ESL lessons and Academic Support lessons. If you have an exam which clashes with a lesson, you should contact your teacher to rearrange the lesson.
5. Boys are expected to fulfil any extra-curricular, Games or Sport Team commitments throughout Study Leave unless arrangements are made in advance with the master in charge.
6. Boys taking Chinese lessons after school are expected to attend these as usual during the Trial Examination Period.
7. Boys will be registered in the Exam Room. Any boy coming in to school to work or revise (and not for an exam) *must* sign in and out at the Bellroom.
8. In line with **IB** regulations, mobile phones **and all types of watch** are not permitted in the Examination Room and should be left at home or at the Bell Room.
9. Boys may only bring into the Exam Room a *clear plastic* pencil case containing the equipment permitted in that particular exam and a bottle of water in a *clear, unlabelled* bottle.
10. Boys must wear School Uniform for all Examinations.
11. Any boy in school (even if only for revision purposes) must be in School Uniform.
12. As at all other times of year, boys are not permitted to go into town during the usual school lesson times.
13. Extra Time, Word Processors and other Access Arrangements: any questions about Access Arrangements such as extra time or word processors for Trial Examinations by those boys who are eligible should be directed to Mrs Spir. Boys eligible for extra time must use the full arrangements in the Trial Exams, and will not be permitted to leave an exam early if they have extra time.
14. Boarders will be issued with their House Study Leave rules by Housemasters and are expected to follow these rules.
15. Boys using the Library between exams are expected to be revising there quietly; as in term time, the Library may not be used as a social area during Study Leave. Boys may use the Café Bar for this, or Day Boys may use their own Day House.
16. Department study areas are also available for boys to revise in when not in an exam. The list of available rooms is on Firefly [here](#) (Upper School > Resources > General > Designated Departmental Study Areas).
17. Any other questions about the Trial Examinations should be directed to Mr Finch.

Other notes:

When not in an examination, boys may:

- Work at home/in your boarding house
- Work in Department Study areas or classrooms around the school (if not being used for other teaching). Details [here](#).
- Work **quietly** in the School Library
- Work in one of the school's computer rooms if you require a computer

Boys should help each other during the Trial Period by observing these rules. **These Trial Exams are designed to give you the best possible indication of your attainment to date, and are vital for your preparation for the actual summer exams, so don't give yourself a false impression by not taking these Trial exams seriously - you'll only regret it if you don't make the best use of this opportunity.**

You will find some helpful revision aids on the Upper School 'Supporting Learning' pages of Firefly ([here](#)). The GCSE Revision Booklet is also helpful in giving you some revision strategies and techniques.

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