



Lower Sixth A Level and IB1 Summer Examinations June 2021
Study Leave Arrangements and Rules

Study Leave and Registration

1. There is full Examination/Study Leave for the Lower Sixth A Level boys between Monday 7 June and Tuesday 15 June; A Level boys return to lessons as normal from Period 1 on Wednesday 16 June.
2. There is full Examination/Study Leave for the Lower Sixth IB1 boys between Monday 7 June and Friday 11 June; IB2 boys return to lessons as normal from Period 1 on Saturday 12 June.
3. Boys are expected to know the times of their assessments and must arrive at School in good time for the start of their assessments.
4. All assessments will take place in the Sports Hall unless otherwise stated on the Assessment Timetable.
5. During their assessment weeks boys may elect to attend Games sessions, but these sessions will not be compulsory. Boys should communicate with their teacher/coach regarding their intention.
6. Boys will be registered in the Exam Venue for assessments; there will be no Tutor Periods. Any boy coming into school when they do not have an exam (e.g. earlier in the day for an afternoon assessment) must ensure they register at the Bell Room, and also sign out at the Bell Room if they are leaving the school site before the normal end of the school day. This is an important safeguarding measure.
7. If boys wish to work/revise in School, they may work in:
 - a. classrooms in the Lower Sixth zone (if not being used for teaching, and with the permission of staff);
 - b. the School Library (subject to there being space available);
 - c. their boarding or day house.
8. The School Library and classrooms must not be used as Common Rooms during the assessment weeks (i.e. places to chat and relax). Boys in the Library and classrooms will be expected to work diligently and quietly throughout the assessment period. Boys will be asked to go to their respective Houses if they are not able to maintain quiet working in these areas of the school.
9. If boys are working in school and/or attending lunch they must be wearing school uniform.
10. Boys are not allowed into town during the school day in order to minimise the number of people with whom they come into contact.

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Assessment Arrangements

11. In line with JCQ regulations, mobile phones and *all* watches are not permitted in the Exam Venues and should be left at home, in lockers or at the Bell Room.
12. Boys may only bring into the assessment venue:
 - a. a *clear plastic* pencil case containing the equipment permitted in that particular assessment;
 - b. bring spare equipment as we wish to minimise close contact between candidates and invigilators;
 - c. a bottle of water in a *clear, unlabelled* bottle;
 - d. hand sanitiser and face covering.
13. Boys must wait outside the Exam Venue in the designated waiting areas (by desk number), suitably socially distanced, until they are invited to enter the building.
14. The one-way system through the exam venues must be followed.
15. Rules regarding face coverings will be confirmed in line with government guidance.
16. No food is permitted in the assessment venue (unless there is a medical justification and permission has been sought in advance).
17. Boys must wear School Uniform for all assessments.
18. Any questions about access arrangements by those boys who are eligible should be directed to Mrs Mellor.
19. Any other questions about the assessments should be directed to Mrs Martin-Merchant (A Level) or Mr Finch (IB).
20. If boys are unwell on the day of an assessment. their parent, guardian or boarding Housemaster should contact the Bell Room immediately.

Summary

Boys are expected to support each other during the examinations period by observing these rules. These rules are designed to give all boys the best possible environment for success in their exams. These Exams are designed to give boys the best possible indication of their attainment to date and are vital for preparation for the Upper Sixth and for UCAS predictions.

S Baldock
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