



21 May 2021

Dear Upper Sixth A-Level Boys and Parents/Guardians

I hope this finds you safe and well. I write with a short update on study leave and textbook return.

Study Leave

As we approach the end of the core assessments, and in response to a request from a number of boys keen to make the most of the revision time left to them, we are happy to give more flexibility to boys over their revision routine. From next Monday, boys may elect to take additional study leave to complete their revision ahead of their final papers in June.

We will continue to provide teaching in school on a normal timetable, but we realise that some boys simply wish to revise from their boarding house or home. Equally, we know that many boys value the routine and structure of lessons, with the support of their teachers. At this stage, it feels right to trust boys as young adults to take personal responsibility for their learning, and so study as they believe will be most effective. Games will continue as normal for boys who wish to attend, although certain training sessions will be required for boys selected for fixtures. Tutors will continue to be available during tutor periods.

If boys are electing to revise from home, families should notify the Bell Room so that our registration records are updated. We also expect boys to communicate with their teachers if they will not be joining lessons.

Boys must sign in and out at the Bell Room if leaving during the school day and uniform must be worn as normal when on site. In line with our ongoing Covid precautions, boys are not allowed into town during the school day to minimise the number of people with whom they come into contact.

Textbook Return

Textbook return for A Level boys will take place in the final week of core assessments, between Monday 7 June and Friday 11 June. Any books to be returned should be clearly named and handed in to the Bell Room in a plastic bag.

If boys wish to keep their books until the October examinations they should inform the [Bell Room](#), as any books loaned by the school that are not returned by the end of June will be blue-billed (unless we are advised boys wish to keep these until October).

Speech Day

The Head Master will write with more details in the coming week, but we continue to plan to welcome Upper Sixth boys and families to the school for Speech Day on Saturday 3 July.

With all best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "S. Baldock". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped 'S' at the beginning.

S Baldock
Deputy Head (Academic)