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Dear Parents and Carers of students in Year 11,

We are very much looking forward and preparing our students for the GCSE exams which begin on May 16th. Year 11's resilience and commitment to learning this year has been outstanding. We are positive that that their professionalism and commitment will continue throughout the final exam period. At Deptford Green, we believe the relationship shared between parents, pupils and school is a vital one. Therefore, we wanted to communicate some key information to you as soon as possible. I would appreciate your support in going through this letter with your child.

Key Contacts

Below are the contact details for key staff members associated with your child. The tutor is the adult in school who will be continuing to work closely with your child and offering them ongoing pastoral support. Please feel free to contact them at any time if you'd like to discuss how your child is progressing.

Tutors

11D Mr Knight aknight@deptfordgreen.co.uk
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Pastoral Leader

Ms Samms (Ext: 208) lsamms@deptfordgreen.co.uk

Head of Year

Bryan Ramsay bramsay@deptfordgreen.co.uk

Careers Officer

Ms Nembhard cnembhard@deptfordgreen.co.uk

School Day Confirmation, Attendance and Punctuality

Whilst your child has only a short time left at Deptford Green, it is important that their attendance remains high and we get to see them every single day before they leave. Every second in school will count towards them. Evidence shows that students who have excellent attendance and who are punctual are more successful and secure better outcomes. Students who have 96-100% attendance are much more likely to achieve their full potential. Please ensure your child is meeting our attendance expectations and that they arrive to school on time. If your child is going to be absent from school, please notify a member of your child's pastoral team so that we know they are at home safe and we do not need to waste valuable time following up unknown absences.





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Alumni and progression information

Please, see the presentation attached that was shared with students last week.

We would be grateful if you could go through it with your child and ensure that the **destination survey** is completed <https://forms.gle/a7JEUfhohZohY1qH6>

We hope that your child will remain part of Deptford Green by joining our alumni community by scanning the QR code on page 6 and completing a short form.

If you have any queries or need any assistance with sixth forms, colleges, apprenticeships applications and enrolment **now or on result day and enrolment days**, speak to our careers coordinator, Ms Nembhard on 0208 469 4896 or at cnembhard@deptfordgreen.co.uk

Final GCSE and vocational exams this summer

As you know these public exams will be the first since the pandemic. We have run two rounds of PPEs (pre-public exams) during which, students showed excellent focus and resilience.

Hard copies of the exam timetable have been given to students, in addition to a 'statement of entry' for each of their exams. We have asked students to check the details on the form, along with the subjects and the tiers of entry. Please ask your child to show you the form so you can also check through. In addition, we have also included a personalised list of exams with the dates of the exams. Unfortunately, the time of the afternoon exams was printed incorrectly on the sheet. **To confirm, morning exams will begin at 9.00 and afternoon exams will begin at 13.15.** Finally, we have included the JCQ exam rules and regulations.

You will also find the exam dates on our school's website (link below). It is important that your child attends all their exams on time in full school uniform and has all stationery and equipment in a clear pencil case. Please ensure your child has all the equipment they need, including a scientific calculator and maths set. It is best that they bring all equipment to every exam.

The first exam is on the 16th of May and the last exam is on the 29th of June.

Final exam timetable

<https://www.deptfordgreen.lewisham.sch.uk/site/data/files/D140C13C1B3120EEF2870B5207CB6A3D.pdf?pid=10>

JCQ exam information

https://www.jcq.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/IFC-Written_Examinations_2021_v5.pdf

Revision and further intervention

We will publish a revision schedule (in due course) that outlines times and days for our breakfast and afternoon revision sessions which will take place during the exam period. These revision sessions are designed to motivate and prepare your child and refresh subject knowledge just before the exam. However, it is very important that they have a robust revision schedule at home. Guidance on revision strategies can also be found in the 'parent information' section of the school's website.

Study Leave

We understand that this period is demanding for students and we want to keep our students excited, motivated and GCSE ready. We expect all students to be in school full time until 27th May when the half term break begins. After the half term, the school will launch a study leave programme for most students, allowing them to work independently at home, returning to school for exams, breakfast and afternoon revision sessions. We will ask some students to stay in school full time after half term if we feel they would benefit from studying in the school environment.





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Prom

Our Year 11 Prom will take place on the Greenwich Pier and is booked for **Thursday 30th June 2022**. We would like for as many of our Year 11s to attend the celebration as possible. Ticket prices are £30 per student, although this price may be reduced based on your child's accumulation of LORIC points. A 5-stage 'passport to prom' was launched a number of months ago. ParentPay will reflect your child's final ticket price. Students and staff will arrive at the pier promptly at 18:30 as the boat will depart on at 19:00 and cannot return to collect latecomers. The boat will return to Greenwich pier at 22:45.

Wellbeing support

Our pupil's safety and wellbeing is always our number one priority. We offer tutor support, pastoral interventions, place2be counselling service, outreach inclusion, the sanctuary, plus a range of other interventions to support our pupils. If you believe that your child would benefit from additional support please contact me or Ms Samms to discuss.

Place2be email: place2be@deptfordgreen.co.uk

GCSE Exam Advance Information

Examination boards have published content that will feature in exams and content that will not. Your child is aware of the changes and teachers have tailored resources that support your child's revision. It is important that your child is making good use of these resources and revising key content that are applicable to the actual GCSE exam(s). Revision strategies have been given to students and these strategies are reinforced and practised every day during tutor time and in classrooms.

The best is yet to come

I would like to take this opportunity to wish your child the best of luck during their GCSE exam experience. The best is yet to come! Thank you all for your continual support and please get in touch if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,
Mr Ramsay
Head of Year 11

