

THE ECCLESBOURNE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Year 9 Examinations

All Year 9 students will be taking in exams in their subjects between Monday 23rd June – Friday 27th June. As their first set of full examinations at Ecclesbourne, they are an excellent opportunity for students to practise revision and to experience the routine of exams.

All students will be receiving information about when the exams are taking place and how to structure a revision timetable. This assembly is taking place on Friday 2nd May. In addition, they will have a lesson in PDC this half term about how to revise. The key is to start early and to utilise a range of different strategies depending on the subject. The School's Revision Zone will be their first port of call for revision resources such as Knowledge Organisers. We have put together a powerpoint for parents and families to look at about revision. It suggests general revision strategies as well as specific examples of how to revise. You can find that presentation on this page: <u>Examinations | Ecclesbourne School</u>. It is the third link from the top.

We are keen for students to get into the correct habits early so we will be following the JCQ exam regulations regarding equipment lists and conduct in exam venues. These include the following:

- All stationery should be in a clear pencil case
- Nothing is allowed in the exam venue which has writing on it, for example, glue, exam notes, timetables (even in pockets)
- No calculator cases
- No mobile phones
- No watches
- Water bottles should be clear, without a label on.
- Students should not communicate with other candidates, be it verbally or non-verbally, until they are outside their exam venue.

We will talk through the exam routines with students in an additional assembly just prior to the exam period. If you have any questions about the exams, please email either Mrs Green (hgreen@ecclesbourne.derbyshire.sch.uk) or Mrs Stott (estott@ecclesbourne.derbyshire.sch.uk)

Kind Regards,

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