



Biddenham

International School & Sports College

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Dear Parents/Carers

With only 3 weeks before the first GCSE exam for Year 11, I want to make parents/carers aware of some key dates and how to support your child during this crucial time.

W/B 15th April 2024	Year 11 Visual Arts & PE practical exams
W/B 29th April 2024	Modern Foreign Languages speaking exams
Thursday 2nd May 2024	GCSE exams begin (ICT)
Tuesday 14th May 2024	Year 11 last day
Wednesday 15th May 2024	Year 11 Study leave begins
Wednesday 19th June 2024	End of GCSE exams (Food)
Thursday 11th July 2024	Year 11 Prom
Thursday 22nd August 2024	GCSE results day

The key to success in the upcoming exams is 100% attendance, hard work in lessons and thorough revision at home. Our students are working very hard in lessons at present, but might just need some extra help and motivation at home to complete revision. Your child can help themselves achieve their potential by taking advantage of several things being offered by the school and the staff. Revision topics and resources can be found on each individual subject's Google Classroom, as well as on the general Year 11 Notices Classroom, where students can also find the 'Revision Planner' and extra-curricular revision sessions timetable too.

All students have received a copy of their exam timetable which details dates and times for all of their exams. Please discuss this with your child and plan accordingly to ensure they are at school 15 minutes before the start of the exam.

As ever, our students' wellbeing is of utmost importance. We would like to continue to encourage students to speak with their tutors and teachers if they would like guidance with their subjects or if they have any concerns around their wellbeing. In addition to staff support, all students have access to the wellbeing platform [Kooth](#), and our wellbeing lead, Mrs Speight, has a wealth of knowledge and access to resources for students and their families if required. Mrs Speight can be contacted via email at abigail.speight@mybiddenham.com

If you have any questions about exams or supporting your child please do not hesitate to contact me via email at gareth.massey@mybiddenham.com or via telephone on 01234 334560

Yours faithfully

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