



Ark John Keats Academy

18th March 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our year 11s have just completed their final mock examinations. We are enormously proud of how the year group have conducted themselves and are confident that they will be successful in the end of year examinations. These assessments will commence on May 16th and continue until the end of June. This letter contains important information about the GCSEs and upcoming events that will help prepare you and your child for the final phase of their secondary education.

GCSEs – Advance Information

Across the UK exams are taking place this year for the first time since 2019. Students taking GCSE examinations in summer 2022 are being given advance information by exam boards, due to the impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic. In many subjects, specific topics or skills have been removed from the final assessments. Teachers have shared this advance information with students and have altered lesson plans and revision materials. We have done this to ensure our students are only revising the content that they will be assessed on.

Attached to this letter is a table that summarises the advance information in every subject. This document and other subject specific information is also available on the school website <https://arkjohnkeats.org/pre-release>. You can support your child by discussing this information with them and asking them how they are using this information to support their revision.

Easter Revision dates

The school will be open on specific dates over the holidays for revision sessions. We have designed these sessions in response to data from the mock assessments. The sessions are by invite only; if we have identified that your child would benefit from attending one of these classes, we will write to you with details of the session. After the Easter holidays, there will be other opportunities for students to attend revision classes.

Academic Review Day meetings - Friday 1st April

All year 11 students, and their parents, have been invited to attend a meeting to discuss their mock results. This is our final opportunity to discuss the progress that your child has made. In these meetings we will identify the actions that your child needs to take over the Easter holidays to improve their grade. These meetings will take place on Friday 1st of April. All students in year 11 must attend these meetings and should book their appointment using [this link](#).

Curriculum day - Thursday 31st March

On Thursday 31st of March all pupils in year 7 – 13 will participate in a curriculum day. Our year 11 pupils will participate in bespoke sessions, designed around the theme of exam readiness. This

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event will ensure our pupils are fully prepared for the summer examinations and will set them up well to commence their independent revision over the Easter holidays.

Revision guides

We have purchased a set of revision guides for every child who does not have their own copy. These are available for students to loan for the remainder of the academic year, free of charge. If you would like to borrow a set of revision guides, please email Ms Freeman: f.freeman@arkjohnkeatsacademy.org with your child's name and a copy of the subjects that they wish to borrow.

We are enormously privileged to work with such enormous backing from the local community, and on behalf of the entire staff body, I would like to thank you for the support you have provided the school over the last 5 years. We look forward to celebrating with you in August.

Yours sincerely,

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