



24 April 2026

Dear Year 13 students and families,

I am writing with an update on upcoming **exams and study leave** for Year 13 students.

We have been impressed with how Year 13 have conducted themselves this year and by the commitment they are showing to their studies as we approach their final practical and written exams. The students have now received their individual exam timetables, both by email and on paper. It is important that they all **check their timetables carefully** and contact the exams office (on A corridor) straight away if they believe there are any errors.

Students must continue to attend all timetabled lessons **until Fri 22nd May**, unless:

- They are in an exam,
- They have study leave for an imminent exam. Study leave will be granted for either the afternoon (periods 4 & 5) ahead of a morning exam or the morning (periods 1-3) before an afternoon exam, or
- They have completed all of their exams for that subject.

Please support us by reminding your Year 13 student of the value of attending those final lessons with their teachers, which are designed to target the content and skills that will most benefit the students in the final run up to their exams. It is important that they continue to make the most of the support and resources their teachers will offer. From **Tuesday 5th May** onwards, Year 13 tutors will move to offering drop-in sessions, providing a quiet space to study or mentally prepare for the day and a listening ear if needed.

From **Monday 1st June**, all Year 13 students will be on study leave. However, their teachers will continue to be available for final revision support during their normal timetabled lessons (or at other times by prior arrangement), and students should keep in touch with them until they complete their final exam for each subject.

Please note that **Weds 24th June** is the contingency date set by the exam boards in case an external exam is unable to take place as timetabled. All students must be available on this date in the unlikely event it is needed. It cannot be used for individual students to sit exams they have missed.

I will be writing to you early next week with details of our Year 13 Leavers' Prom on Thursday 25 June.

Yours sincerely

Ms M Porter

Head of Sixth Form



Key dates for Year 13 for the remainder of this term

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Tuesday 28 April	8.25am in the dining hall	Final assembly!
Monday 4 May	All day	Bank Holiday; school closed
Tuesday 5 May onwards	Onwards	Written exams begin this week Lessons continue around exams; see above
Wednesday 20 May	3.00pm	Deadline for Prom payments & permission forms
Friday 22 May	3:00pm	Final day of lessons for Year 13
Monday 1 June	Onwards	Year 13 on full study leave; teachers available by arrangement
Wednesday 24 June	All day	Exam contingency date
Thursday 25 June	6pm - 11pm at Salomons Estate, Tunbridge Wells	Year 13 Leavers' Prom
Thursday 13 August	TBC	A Level & Level 3 results day; further details to follow