



Communication

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- 7th May Day Bank Holiday Academy closed- open as normal Tuesday 8th May
- 14th May GCSE exams begin (until 22nd June)
- 14th May Assessment Week
- 15th May Parent Coffee morning (09:30-10:30am)
- 18th May HLA are looking forward to celebrating the Royal Wedding with our local elderly residents and community groups who we are working together with.
- 30th June PTFA Summer Fair 11.00am-2.00pm
- 23rd August GCSE result day

Rewards Trip – Friday 13th July

More details will follow next week. Pupils who are not on the trips must attend the academy and will have an action-packed day.

Year 7 Parents evening

This was a well-attended evening with plenty of opportunity for discussion around pupil learning and welfare. It was a pleasure to welcome so many parents into the academy.

Important Notices

• Q&A Visit

After our Q&A visit on Monday by Tauheedul staff I am delighted to share that we received a superb report. Highfield is moving in the right direction with praise for our pupils learning, their pride in their appearance and academy and their behaviour and welfare. I am so proud of our pupils who were a credit to the school and parents. My thanks go to all of our school community for their continued hard work, dedication and commitment to Highfield. It is a great place to be. It was noted that academic standards are rising, that the academy provides good pastoral support for pupils, that the quality of teaching and learning and assessment has improved significantly and that careers education is a strength of the academy.

• Telephone System

Please note that the phones have a new and reformatted menu. There is now a menu that gives you a direct link, not only to the absence line, but also to the Heads of each Year, who are the first port of call if you have a query or information to share with us about your child.

We will continue to monitor the phone lines and hope to introduce further improvements in the next academic year.

• Show My Homework

This is proving to be a really effective tool in engaging pupils with homework. However, not all pupils have logged on to use this for their homework commitments. Login details were sent home with pupils who had not activated their account.

Parents who wish to take a more active role in their child's home learning can achieve this by having

their own Show My Homework account. It enables parents to take a more proactive role in driving homework prioritisation and keeping tabs on homework without having to be intrusive. If you would like your login details, please contact the academy.

• Reminder - holidays

Pupils who are taken out of school during term times to go on unauthorised holidays may be subject to a fixed penalty notice. All holiday requests must be place on the holiday form obtained from reception and returned to reception. Parents will then be notified in writing of the decision. Holiday request forms must be submitted 4 weeks prior to the holiday and will only be approved under exceptional circumstances.

• Parent Drop-In Sessions

Our parent drop-in sessions continue to run every Tuesday 9.00-10.00am and every Thursday 3:20-4:20pm.

If you have any concerns or pupil issues pop in to the academy reception and Mrs Benson will meet you on either day between those time.

GCSE Exam Information

Year 11 Intervention Timetable and Year 11GCSE Timetable

The Year 11 Intervention timetable is included below.

GCSE exam season has now started with practical exams already underway.

The GCSE written papers start on May 14th and run through to last exam 22nd June.

All pupils have been given a GCSE timetable.

Please support your child in ensuring they have the correct equipment. If you have any exam queries please do not hesitate to contact me: lynne.addison@highfield.tetrust.org Exam Officer

GCSE Results Day 2018

This year's results will be available on **Thursday August 23rd 2018**. More details will follow.

However, if you are unable to collect your results you must do the following -

- Inform Ms Addison, Exams officer as soon as you can.
- You must provide Ms Addison with details, a letter or email from your email address, of who you are giving permission to collect your results.
- That nominated person must then bring a letter from yourself to the academy with ID of whom they are. They will sign for receipt of your results.
- These are your [the candidates'/pupils] results. I am unable to give them to your parents or siblings or relatives without the appropriate consent from yourself.

If you have any exam queries please do not hesitate to contact – <u>lynne.addison@highfield.tetrust.org</u>

PTFA

The summer fayre will be taking place on Saturday 30th June 11.00am-2.00pm. Please keep note of this and support the academy in raising funds. The student council will be talking about how they would like to see money raised to support them. So far, they have talked about PE equipment, litter bins and board games for use at lunch time and break time.

| 2018 Term Dates and Holidays | | | | |
|------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 07 MAY | May Day - Academy closed | | | |
| 08 MAY | Academy open (08:40) | | | |
| 25 May | Academy closes (3:10pm) | | | |
| 28MAY- 01JUN | Half term | | | |
| 04 JUN | Academy open (08:40) | | | |
| 19 JUL | Academy closes (12:30) Summer holidays begin | | | |
| 05 SEPT | Academy open for all pupils (08:40am) | | | |

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> We also share daily updates on Academy life through the @HighfieldLA Twitter account. Follow us!

Key communication

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| Day | Before school 8:00 – 8:40 | Lunchtime 12:50-13:15 | After school 15:10-16:10 | |
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| Monday | PE | RE drop in ENGLISH – by invite | Science | |
| Tuesday | ENGLISH – by invite MATHS – by invite | English – by invite MATHS MASTERCLASS: - by invite | Drama Geography Product Design RE | |
| Wednesday | MATHS – by invite ENGLISH 2 – by invite | ENGLISH POETRY REVISION ALL GROUPS ICT Music T&T | Maths Psychology | |
| Thursday | ENGLISH – by invite MATHS – by invite | Maths – by invite Music English – by invite | History Computer Science Product Design English | |
| Friday | PE MATHS - by invite | MATHS MASTERCLASS: - by invite Music PE | Food & Nutrition French German | |

G.C.S.E. Examinations 2018 Year 11 Exam Timetable



| DATE | A.M. EXAMINATION Report at 8.45 am | EXAM LENGTH | P.M. EXAMINATION Report at 1.20 pm | EXAM LENGTH |
|-----------------------------|---|---|---|---------------------------|
| Mon 14 th May | ICT* Understanding Computer Systems Travel and Tourism First Award* The UK Travel and Tourism Sector Computer Science*: Computer Systems *Students that are affected by the ICT, Travel & Tourism and Computer Science exams clash will be informed of the arrangements that will be put in place. | 1hr 1hr 1hr 30m | Religious Studies: A Paper 1 Christianity and Islam | 1hr 45mins |
| Tues 15 May | French Listening Foundation Tier Listening Higher Tier Reading Foundation Tier Reading Higher Tier | 35 mins 45 mins 45 mins 1 hour | Combined Science Paper 1: Biology Triple Science Paper 1: Biology | 1 hr 10mins 1hr 45mins |
| Wed 16 May | P.E. Paper 1 Fitness and Body Systems. | 1hr 45mins | Religious Studies: A: Paper 2 Thematic Studies | 1hr 45mins |
| Thu 17 May | Combined Science Paper 1: Chemistry Triple Science Paper 1: Chemistry | 1 hr 10mins 1hr 45mins | Computer Science: Computational thinking, algorithms and programing. | 1hr 30mins |
| Fri 18 May | French Writing Foundation Tier Higher Tier | 1 hour 1hr 15mins | P.E. Paper 2* Health and Performance. Drama: Performance and Response* *Students that are affected by exams clash will be informed of the arrangements that will be put in place | 1hr 15mins 1hr 30mins |
| Mon 21 May | | | in place | |
| Tues 22 May | English Literature: Paper 1 Shakespeare and the 19 th Century Novel | 1hr 45mins | Geography: Paper 1 Living with the Physical Environment | 1hr 30mins |
| Wed 23 May | Psychology: Paper 1 Perception and Dreaming | 1hr 15mins | Combined Science Paper 1: Physics Triple Science Paper 1: Physics | 1 hr 10mins 1hr 45mins |
| Thu 24 May | Mathematics: Paper 1 Non-Calculator | 1hr 30mins | | |
| Fri 25 May | English Literature: Paper 2 Modern texts and Poetry | 2hr 15mins | | |

HALF - TERM: MONDAY 28th MAY - FRIDAY 1st JUNE

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| DATE | A.M. EXAMINATION Report at 8.45 am | EXAM LENGTH | P.M. EXAMINATION Report at 1.20 pm | EXAM LENGTH |
|------------------|--|---|---|----------------|
| Mon 4 June | History: Paper 1 Understanding the Modern World. | 1hr 45mins | Psychology: Paper 2 Social and Biological Debates | 1hr 45mins |
| Tues 5 June | English Language: Paper 1 Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing | 1hr 45mins | Geography: Paper 2 Challenges in the Human Environment | 1hr 30mins |
| Wed 6 June | | | Music: Listening and Appraising | 1hr 30mins |
| Thu 7 June | Mathematics: Paper 2 Calculator | 1hr 30mins | | |
| Fri 8 June | English Language: Paper 2 Writers' Viewpoints and Perspectives | 1hr 45mins | History: Paper 2 Shaping the Nation | 1hr 30mins |
| Mon 11 June | Combined Science Paper 2: Biology Triple Science Paper 2: Biology | 1 hr 10mins 1hr 45mins | Geography: Paper 3 Geographical Applications | 1hr 15mins |
| Tues 12 June | Mathematics: Paper 3 Calculator | 1hr 30mins | | |
| Wed 13 June | Combined Science Paper 2: Chemistry Triple Science Paper 2: Chemistry | 1 hr 10mins 1hr 45mins | | |
| Thu 14 June | | | Food Preparation and Nutrition | 1hr 45mins |
| Fri 15 June | Combined Science Paper 2: Physics Triple Science Paper 2: Physics | 1 hr 10mins 1hr 45mins | | |
| Mon 18 June | German Listening Foundation Tier Listening Higher Tier Reading Foundation Tier Reading Higher Tier | 35 mins 45 mins 45 mins 1 hour | | |
| Tues 19 June | | | Dance: Appreciation. | 1hr 30mins |
| Wed 20 June | | | | |
| Thurs 21 June | German Writing Foundation Tier Higher Tier | 1 hour 1hr 15mins | | |
| Fri 22 June | Design & Technology: Product Design | 2 hr | | |

END OF GCSE EXAMINATIONS! Results Day 23rd August 2018

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