



# **Communication**

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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

#### Rewards Trip – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> 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 23<sup>rd</sup> 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 30<sup>th</sup> 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 <b>(08:40)</b>			
25 May	Academy closes (3:10pm)			
28MAY- 01JUN	Half term			
04 JUN	Academy open <b>(08:40)</b>			
19 JUL	Academy closes <b>(12:30)</b> 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	
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 <b>Music</b> English – by invite	History Computer Science Product Design English	
Friday	<b>PE</b> 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 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> 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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