

Parent Bulletin-11 May 2018









Communication

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- 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.
- 28th June Year 11 Leavers assembly with parents and carers invited 3.30pm
- 29th June Year 11 Prom
- 30th June PTFA Summer Fair
- 23rd August GCSE result day

Rewards Trip - Friday 13th July

The cost of each trip is £35 and will be available to pay from Monday 14th May.

Important Notices

Achievements

The academy is delighted that the following events have proved to be worthwhile and engaging for pupils involved. More than 80 Year 8 pupils attended a residential at Borwick Hall and were an absolute credit to parents, carers and the academy, enjoying the challenges of outward bound.

Our girls football team received coverage in the Blackpool Gazette – they are the future England Women's Team! The pupils involved in the Maths UK challenge wowed everybody with their knowledge, skill and ability. All credit to them for coming 11th out of 24. The competition was exceptionally high and our pupils are indeed high achievers. The Race for the Line competition for year 7 is stepping up a gear as next Tuesday they are involved in the Regional final at Fulwood Barracks. All the very best and Good Luck

I am so proud of how well all of our pupils are doing. Not only engaging in their lessons but also being involved in a wide range of activities. I would specifically like to mention year 11 – they are working incredibly hard and with exams starting on Monday I wish them every success and look forward to the year 11 assembly with parents and carers invited on Thursday 28th June at 3.30pm

• Telephone System changes

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.

The academy appreciates parents' patience with regards to the telephone system. Parents of course are welcome to email staff, please see the key communication section and again thank you for your understanding.

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

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 11GCSE Timetable

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 – lynne.addison@highfield.tetrust.org

PTFA

The summer fayre is Saturday 30th June 11.00-2.00pm – please put this in our diaries.



2018 Term Dates and Holidays						
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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Senior Leadership Lead for Year 10 – Charlotte Marsden - charlotte.marsden@highfield.tetrust.org

Senior Leadership Lead for Year 11 – Nicola Dodgson - nicola.dodgson@highfield.tetrust.org

Executive Principal – Helen Mackenzie OBE- helen.mackenzie@highfield.tetrust.org

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			III 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

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