



3<sup>rd</sup> May 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

**GCSE public exams**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support over the last term during this vital year in your son's education. There are a number of items I would like to bring to your attention.

Firstly, I have attached a copy of the GCSE **exam timetable** and a new school **classroom timetable**. Our expectations have been made clear to all students about punctuality to exams and conduct during exams. Students late to an exam cannot be allowed to enter and strict exam conditions will apply in all exams. You can access these rules on the website: [www.icq.org.uk](http://www.icq.org.uk)

The new classroom timetable outlines how we have tailored all remaining lessons for this term around the exam dates. Students will do multiple 'drop down' sessions in subjects prior to the exam taking place. You may also notice that 'breakfast **warm up sessions**' will also take place from 8am in each subject with a 9am exam. Please take the time to familiarise yourself with this information and discuss it with your son.

Secondly, we will be delivering **revision sessions** during the May half-term (27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May). As usual, you will receive a letter from specific departments, with a date and time, if they need to your son to attend. We will require a £10 deposit to secure commitment and attendance.

Please note that the **Study Zone** will remain in place from 3.30pm – 5.30pm Mon-Fri. This will be staffed and resourced for students who wish to do quiet revision. **After-school intervention** sessions will continue as normal. The timetable is as follows:

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Friday
History or Geography	MFL language lab	<b>Option B</b> Business Studies PE GCSE Computer Science Art/Graphics Music Media	<b>Option A:</b> Psychology PE GCSE Computer Science Art/Graphics Music DT	French or Spanish

Students must take personal responsibility for their **revision** and should be following their revision timetable at home for at least 2 hours per night. Please could we ask that you monitor your child's revision at home.

We expect all students to remain in school, following their new timetable, until the end of exams. The final exam for most students is 9am **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June** and they will be dismissed at lunchtime, with the exception of Further Maths students.

Finally, we will be presenting our annual Year 11 **Leavers Celebration** on the 14th June. This will be an opportunity to celebrate the achievements of our students and to say goodbye with a few old photos from years 7-11. More details to follow.

We value your continued support and wish your son every success in GCSE exams. We look forward to welcoming many of you to our new St. Aloysius Sixth Form.

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Head of Year 11

