

8 May 2025

Dear Year 10 Students and their Parents/Carers

Year 10 School Examinations

Please find attached the timetable for the Year 10 school examinations. **Written and practical examinations run from Monday 16 June until Tuesday 1 July.**

Please note that students will have their **MFL oral examination before this; oral examinations will be during the period Tuesday 3 June to Friday 13 June.** Students will be allocated a specific time slot by their languages teacher. It is important that, over the half term break, they revise the topics that they have covered this year, paying particular attention to the questions and answers they have prepared on these topics.

In due course, students will be issued with a personal examination timetable showing only their examinations, the location of each examination and their seat number. In the meantime, it is vital that students carefully read the examination timetable, highlighting all the examinations that are relevant to them. Please note that during the period Monday 16 to Friday 20 June, the school lunch break will be 12.20pm - 1.20pm. For the remainder of the examination period, the lunch period will be 1.20pm - 2.20pm. This change in lunch timings is reflected in the examination timetable.

Some students will have an examination 'clash'; this means that they have two examinations scheduled for the same time. Examination clashes also occur in the actual GCSE examinations. To resolve this 'clash', in most cases, one of the examinations will be scheduled for either earlier or later on the same day. For the time period between examinations, the student will be supervised by an examination invigilator so that they cannot interact with any other students who have already taken, or are about to take, the examination. Students may revise for their next examination whilst they are being supervised, but they cannot use any electronic devices and so must ensure they have suitable revision materials.

These examinations will provide an opportunity for students to demonstrate the progress they are making with their GCSE courses and identify particular areas of strength and weakness. Teachers will provide students with specific advice and guidance for revision.

There is **no** study leave for these examinations. Students are expected to attend school each day. When not in an examination, they will attend their normal lessons.

If a student has special arrangements and/or support for their examinations, they will receive confirmation of these before half-term (these arrangements are known as 'access arrangements'). Any queries regarding access arrangements should be sent to our Curriculum Support team: sendept@parmiters.herts.sch.uk by no later than Monday 2 June.

All students will be reminded about the procedures for examinations. However, we thought it would be helpful to highlight some key points:

- Students must ensure they bring all the required equipment for each examination. Only clear pencil cases may be taken into the examination room. All students are expected to have the following equipment in **all** examinations: black ball-point pen(s), pencil(s), a rubber and a 30cm ruler. In addition to this:

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- **Calculators** are needed in a number of different subjects. Students should therefore have a calculator with them for every examination, leaving it in their bag if it is definitely not needed.
- **A protractor and a pair of compasses** will be needed for Maths examinations and also for some Science examinations. Again, students should have this equipment with them every day.
- All electronic equipment (mobile phones, chromebooks, etc.) must be turned off and kept in the student's bag for the duration of the examination.
- No watches may be worn in an examination room. These must be kept in the student's bag.
- Only clear water bottles, with labels removed, are permitted. No other drinks are allowed.
- If for any unavoidable reason a student is unable to attend school, or will be late, please contact the school as soon as possible.

In line with the school's Examination Policy, all requests for student absence will be refused during examination periods. If a student misses an examination for medical reasons, for which the school has reasonable evidence, the school will endeavour to reschedule the examination. If an examination is missed for non-medical reasons, or for a medical reason that the school is not able to verify, the school reserves the right not to reschedule the examination. Students are not able to resit internal examinations unless serious illness or other exceptional circumstances at the time of the examination prevented them from completing the paper.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all students every success in the examinations and trust that they will prepare thoroughly.

Yours sincerely



Mr A Baker
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Year 10 School Examinations Timetable
Monday 16 June 2025 - Tuesday 1 July 2025

(Written examinations and MFL listening examinations will take place in the Main Hall, Gym, Conference Centre or Sports Hall. Practical exams will take place in specialist teaching rooms. Students' personalised timetables will show the venue of each exam and their seat number. When not in an exam, students will attend lessons as normal.)

MFL Speaking Exams: *Please see your MFL teacher for further information*

<div> <div>Exams start at 8:45am. Candidates should be at their exam room at 8:30am</div> <div>Exams start at 11:20am. Candidates should be at their exam room at 11:10am</div> <div>Exams start at 13:20pm. Candidates should be at their exam room at 13:15pm</div> </div>			
Monday 16 June	Art & Art Textiles (5hrs) in AR3, AR4 & DT6		
Tuesday 17 June	* Food Preparation & Nutrition: NEA Food Preparation Assessment (3hrs + washing up time) in DT5 & DT7		Business Paper 1: Investigating Small Businesses (1hr 45mins) Economics Paper 1: Introduction to Economics (1hr 30mins)
Wednesday 18 June	* Food Preparation & Nutrition: NEA Food Preparation Assessment (3hrs + washing up time) in DT5 & DT7		No Exam
Thursday 19 June	English Literature Paper 2: Modern Texts & Poetry (2hrs 15mins)	No Exam	Maths Paper 1: Non Calculator Foundation Tier (1hr 45mins) Higher Tier (1hr 45mins)
Friday 20 June	German Listening (35mins) & German Reading (45 mins) Spanish Listening (35mins) & Spanish Reading (45 mins)	RS Paper 1: Religion & Ethics - Christianity (50mins)	History Paper 3: Weimar & Nazi Germany (1hr 30mins)
<i>Timetable returns to normal with the lunchtime back to 13:20</i>			
<div> <div>Exams start at 8:45am. Candidates should be at their exam room at 8:30am</div> <div>Exams start at 11:20am. Candidates should be at their exam room at 11:10am</div> <div>Exams start at 2:00pm. Candidates should be at their exam room at 1:50pm</div> </div>			
Monday 23 June	English Language Paper 1: Explorations in Creative Reading & Writing (1hr 45mins)	Biology Triple Science (1hr 30 mins) Combined Science Foundation Tier (1hr) Combined Science Higher Tier (1hr)	German Writing: Foundation Tier (1hr 10 mins) Higher Tier (1hr 15mins) Spanish Writing: Foundation Tier (1hr 10 mins) Higher Tier (1hr 15mins)
Tuesday 24 June	French Listening (35mins) & French Reading (45 mins)	Chemistry Triple Science (1hr 30 mins) Combined Science Foundation Tier (1hr) Combined Science Higher Tier (1hr)	French Writing: Foundation Tier (1hr 10 mins) Higher Tier (1hr 15mins)
Wednesday 25 June	Maths Paper 2: Calculator Foundation Tier (1hr 45mins) Higher Tier (1hr 45mins)	Physics Triple Science (1hr 30 mins) Combined Science Foundation Tier (1hr) Combined Science Higher Tier (1hr)	History Paper 2: Superpower Relations & the Cold War (1hr)
Thursday 26 June	Open Day (No Exams) - School Closed to students during the day. Students will be supporting departments and/or leading tours during the Open Day/Evening. Further details will be shared nearer the time.		
Friday 27 June	Registration is at 9:35am due to late start following Open Day/Evening	Design & Technology (2hrs)	RS Paper 2: Religion & Life: Judaism (50mins)
Monday 30 June	Computer Science: Programming, Problem Solving & Computer Systems (2hrs)	Geography: Combined Paper (1hr 30mins)	Drama Paper 1 Section A (1hr)
Tuesday 1 July	Music: Understanding Music (1hr 30mins) in MU4 Food Preparation & Nutrition: Paper 1 (1hr 45mins)	PE: The Study of Sport and PE (1hr 30mins)	Catch up

* students will be allocated to one of these dates