



PARMITER'S SCHOOL

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Dear Year 13 Students and Parents/Carers

Year 13 Examinations (30 January - 9 February 2023)

We are writing to provide details of the Year 13 examinations. These examinations will ensure students have further experience of the format of A Level examinations. They will also provide valuable feedback for students and teachers that will guide teaching and revision in the final months before the actual A Level examinations.

During the period Monday 30 January to Thursday 9 February students will be on study leave. Students are only required to attend school for the examinations. However, the study facilities in the Sixth Form, with the exception of the Conference Centre, will be available at all times. **When in school, either for an examination or to revise, students must sign in and out** so that we are aware of who is on the school site. The usual standards of punctuality, behaviour and dress are expected.

The timings of the examinations are:

- All morning examinations start promptly at 8.45am. Students must be at their examination room by 8.30am.
- All afternoon examinations start promptly at 1.15pm. Students must be at their examination room by 1.00pm.

Please note that, for this period, the school lunch break will be 12.20pm to 1.20pm, allowing students to have lunch before their examination. Please be aware that some examinations may run past the end of the school day (as is the case during public examinations). Unfortunately, it is not possible to hold the school buses past 3.30pm; where necessary, students should ensure they make appropriate arrangements to get home.

The full examination timetable can be found at the end of this letter. In due course, students will also be issued with a personal examination timetable showing the date and time of their examinations, the examination room and their seat number. Any changes to the time of examinations (for example, due to an examination 'clash' or to facilitate access arrangements) will be shown on the student's personalised timetable. Students must take careful note of the time and location of all their examinations and see Mrs Hicks, Examinations Officer, if they have any questions.

Any student who has **access arrangements for examinations** will receive a student notification form by 13 January; these will be distributed via email. If you believe your child should have access arrangements but they do not receive a notification form, or if any information on the notification form is incorrect, please contact Curriculum Support (sendept@parmiters.herts.sch.uk) by noon on 17 January. Any query/information received after this date is unlikely to result in any changes to arrangements for the Year 13 examinations.

We hope students are now familiar with 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 the examination. Only clear pencil cases may be taken into the examination room. Water bottles must have their labels removed. Earphones are required for Spanish and German Listening examinations.
- No electronic equipment (mobile phones, MP3 players, iPods, etc) may be taken into the examination room.
- No watches are to be worn in an examination room. Students are advised to leave valuables at Reception.
- **If for any reason a student is absolutely unable to attend an examination, or will be unavoidably late for an examination, please contact Mrs Smith** on 01923 665715 or email k.smith@parmiters.herts.sch.uk. Information regarding the rescheduling of missed examinations is given in the school's Examination Policy, available on the school website. Please be aware that if any examination is sat at a different time to the rest of the cohort, it may not be possible to use the outcome as evidence in the event of a teacher assessment grading process.

In the unlikely event that public examinations are cancelled this year and teacher assessments are used for the grading of A Levels in Summer 2023, the outcomes of these trial examinations may be used in the grading process. However, please be assured that no one piece of work will determine a student's final grade. We are giving students the opportunity to make us aware of any extenuating circumstances that may have affected their performance in these recent assessments. If students believe that their performance may have been affected by an event that was outside of their control at the time of, or immediately before, the assessment (such as illness, family crisis or bereavement), then you need to make us aware via this [Google form](#) by **Friday 10 February 2023**. This information will not be used to adjust your mark at this time, but will be taken into consideration if A Level examinations are cancelled and we are required to use this assessment as part of the grading process.

We wish students every success as they enter the final stage of their A Level studies.

Yours sincerely



Ms G Absalom
Assistant Headteacher

Year 13 Internal Exam Timetable - Monday 30 January to Thursday 9 February 2023

Thursday 26 & Friday 27 January	Art & Photography (10 hours)	
	Exams start at 8.45am Candidates should be at their exam room at 8.30am	Exams start at 1.15pm. Candidates should be at their exam room at 1.00pm
Monday 30 January	English Literature Paper 2: Elements of Political and Social Protest Writing (3 hours) Further Mathematics Paper 1: Pure & Statistics (2 hours)	Biology Paper 1 (2 hours) Politics Paper 1: UK Politics and Core political ideas (2 hours)
Tuesday 31 January	Mathematics (ALL) Paper 1: Pure (2 hours)	Geography Paper 1: Physical Environments (2 hours) German Paper 2: Film & Literature (2 hours)
Wednesday 1 February	Psychology Paper 1 Introductory Topics in Psychology (2 hours) Music Component 1: Appraising Music (2 hours 30 mins)	Physics Paper 1: Topics 1-4 & Periodic Motion (2 hours) Spanish Paper 2: Film & Literature (2 hours) History Paper 2: Depth - South Africa Apartheid (1 hour 30 mins)
Thursday 2 February	German Paper 1: Listening, Reading & Translation (2 hours 30 mins) Computer Science Paper 1: Computer Systems (2 hours 30 mins) RS Paper 1 - Philosophy & Development in Religious Thought (DCT) (2 hours) Politics Paper 2: UK Government and Non-core Political Ideas (2 hours)	Economics Paper 1: Microeconomics (2 hours) PE Paper 1: Factors Affecting Performance (2 hours)
Friday 3 February	History Paper 1: Breadth - USA & American Dream (2 hours 15mins) Further Mathematics Paper 2: Pure (2 hours) Spanish Paper 1: Listening, Reading & Translation (2 hours 30 mins)	Chemistry Paper 1: Organic (2 hours) Sociology Paper 1: Education with Theory and Methods (2 hours)
	Exams start at 8.45am Candidates should be at their exam room at 8.30am	Exams start at 1.15pm Candidates should be at their exam room at 1.00pm
Monday 6 February	English Literature Paper 1: Aspects of Tragedy (2 hours 30 mins) Economics Paper 2 Macroeconomics (2 hours) RS Paper 2: Ethics & DCT (2 hours)	Psychology Paper 2: Psychology in Context (2 hours) Physics Paper 2: Topics 5-8 exc. Ch24/25 (2 hours)
Tuesday 7 February	Biology Paper 2 (2 hours) Politics Paper 3: Comparative Politics USA (2 hours) Drama (3 hours)	Mathematics (ALL) Paper 2: Pure (2 hours)
Wednesday 8 February	Computer Science Paper 2: Algorithms and Programming (2 hours 30 mins) History Paper 3: Breadth & Depth - Tudor Rebellions (2 hours 15 mins) PE Paper 2: Optimising Performance (2 hours)	Mathematics (ALL) Paper 3: Statistics & Mechanics (2 hours)
Thursday 9 February	Geography Paper 2: Human Environments (2 hours) Further Mathematics Paper 3: Pure & Mechanics (2 hours)	Chemistry Paper 2: Physical (2 hours) Sociology Paper 2: Topics in Sociology (2 hours)