

15 May 2026

Dear Parents/Carers and Students

Inter-House Sports Day & School Bus Arrangements for GCSE & A Level Students Monday 8 June 2026

The following arrangements will be in place for our Inter-House Sports Day and the school bus service for Monday 8 June 2026. **This is of particular relevance to our students sitting GCSE & A Level examinations on this day.**



Inter-House Sports Day

On Monday 8 June, the school is holding its annual Inter-House Sports Day at Woodside Stadium. Students are to arrive at the stadium by 8.30am, in time for registration at 8.35am, and the day will end at 3.20pm. The coaches and buses organised by the school have been instructed to pick up students at the usual time in the morning and to collect them from Woodside Stadium at 3.00pm. Whilst every effort will be made to adhere to the afternoon schedule, circumstances beyond our control may lead to a minor delay for some routes.

All students are required to attend and participate in Sports Day and should arrive in full PE kit. Any students who, for valid reasons, are unable to participate in Sports Day, are required to seek formal permission from their Head of Year prior to the event and report to Mr Perkins and Ms O'Malley at Woodside Stadium, dressed in appropriate sportswear, where responsibilities will be allocated to them.

We are aware that some female students would prefer to compete in black running shorts, which is acceptable for this event, although they must be of appropriate length. However, there is no requirement to wear black shorts and the usual PE shorts/skorts are also acceptable. It is preferred that, during the times when students are not competing, normal school shorts/skorts are worn over the top of the shorts.

Students are encouraged to wear accessories in their House colour; this could be ribbons, hair ties, face paints, socks or sweatbands.

All students should bring a packed lunch on the day, as well as plenty of water to drink. Drinks and snacks will be available for cash purchase. A packed lunch will be available for students who are in receipt of Free School Meals, please complete [this form](#) to advise whether or not you would like the school to provide a packed lunch for your child by no later than **Friday 22 May 2026**. Depending on the weather, students will also need sun cream and a sun hat or waterproof clothing/tracksuit. They may also bring pop-up sun canopies for shelter from the sun. In the event of inclement weather, Sports Day may need to be cancelled at short notice. This will be communicated to parents and carers at the earliest opportunity and we will revert to the normal school day.

Students who have an inhaler or epipen must bring it with them to Sports Day.

Parents and carers are very welcome to attend Sports Day. Further details about the timings of the day will be sent out after half term. Photo ID will be required for signing in purposes and to gain entry. We will also ask you to confirm whether you wish to use photographic equipment. It is important that you park in designated parking spaces at the Woodside complex, in order to avoid unnecessary congestion or a fine.

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GCSE & A Level Examinations on Monday 8 June 2026

This information is relevant to any student who has a GCSE or A Level examination on Monday 8 June.

The examinations taking place on this day are:

Morning:	A Level	French (Paper 1), Physics (Paper 3), Politics (Paper 2)
	GCSE	Biology (Paper 2), Combined Science (Biology Paper 2)
Afternoon:	A Level	Geography (Paper 3), Music

All morning examinations will start at 9.00am. This later start time will allow students to travel using the school buses, which will pick up from their usual stops at the usual time. However, they will first drop students at Woodside Stadium for Sports Day. Year 11 and Year 13 students will stay on the buses, which will then bring them to school. All students must be at their exam rooms at 8.45am, ready for a 9.00am start.

Afternoon examinations will start at the time stated on your exam timetable.

The school buses will leave from Woodside Stadium at approximately 3.20pm. Students are welcome to walk over to Woodside Stadium to catch the bus home, if they have the time to do so. However, it may be that you need to make other arrangements to get home.

If a student wishes to revise in school during the school day, they may work in the following areas:

- Year 11 in the Main LRC
- Year 13 in the Sixth Form LRC

Please note that the canteen and Cafe6 will be shut all day. Students who are in school must ensure that they bring food and drink with them on Monday 8 June.

Kind regards



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Deputy Headteacher