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Year 10 End-of-Year Examinations: 24th-28th June 2024

Dear Students and Parents

We are writing to provide you with further information about the Year 10 end-of-year exams, which will take place after half-term: Monday 24th June to Friday 28th June. A copy of the exam timetable is attached and a paper copy will be provided to students by their form tutor. We have also attached an overview document providing details, for each subject, of the content being assessed, the format of the exam(s) and suggested revision strategies; please note that all option subjects are included in this overview but students will only sit exams in the subjects they are studying at GCSE.

As you will see from the exam timetable, there will be three exams taking place each day; however, as some of these exams are in the option subjects, students will need to look closely at the timetable to work out their own personal schedule, as they will not be sitting every exam. When students do not have an exam, they will attend their normal timetabled lessons and must therefore also bring any equipment necessary for those lessons.

Exams will take place in the Sports Hall except for some students identified by the Learning Support Department who will complete their exams in a separate venue. Students must ensure that they arrive on time to school and fully equipped for all exams; no equipment will be lent out to students should they forget anything.

The aim of the exams is to enable the monitoring of learning and progress so that teaching can be adapted in response to how students have performed. Students' performance will be discussed with them in lessons following their exams and will be reported formally to parents in the school report to be published at the end of term. To be able to perform at their best in these exams, students will need to engage with revision in line with the advice given to them in lessons (also summarised in the attached exam overview sheet). Teachers will continue to discuss revision strategies in class and offer guidance on how students can best prepare for their exams, as well as setting revision work on Teams in the weeks leading up to the exam period. Organisation and preparation can be helpful in reducing possible anxieties that students may have, and research indicates that doing small amounts of regular revision in the run-up to the exam period is more beneficial than large amounts of work the night before each exam.

With this set of exams taking place in the Sports Hall, it will be the first opportunity for students to prepare for the formal regulations that will be in place for their final GCSE exams. Students will be given more details in an assembly after half-term and the exam regulations will also be shared with parents at this time.

If you have any questions regarding individual subjects or exams, please contact your child's subject teacher directly through the school admin email address admin@kls.herts.sch.uk

Kind regards

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