

'Better Together'

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Dear Parents/Carers

As we begin to approach the summer 2022 examination series, please find below some key information which may be of use in supporting and preparing your child.

Advance Information

On 7th February the awarding bodies published advance information to support with teaching, learning and revision in the lead up to the exam series. The JCQ have published a FAQ document for students, which is enclosed within this letter. We encourage you to take the time to read through this information.

This advanced information is intended to help students focus their revision, and as such has been made freely available by all the examination boards to all students nationally. It is important that students revise thoroughly across the specification, but they can be guided by the advanced information.

Teachers will be working with students, using this information, enabling focused teaching and revision over the next two half terms.

Exam Timetable / Exam Packs

The Summer 2022 overview timetable is now available on our website, and is enclosed for your convenience. Please note these are national timetables, with dates set across the country for all students.

Individual exam packs, including personalised timetables will be sent home week commencing 21st March. If you have any questions in the meantime, then the Exam Sections of the website is a useful resource, or please contact your child's tutor.



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Contingency Arrangements

Although the current plan is for exams to go ahead, there are still DfE contingency arrangements in place as outlined in the mock exam letter to parents/students in November. During the Spring Term students will complete further work which could contribute to a Teacher Assessed Grade, if the need arises through the cancellation of exams. This work will be completed in class and teachers will inform students when these pieces of work will take place.

Independent study

To maximise their learning opportunities, tutors will be setting up Independent Learning Planners with students. The aim of these plans is for students to complete manageable amounts of study during their time away from school. Research shows that students who work at home make more progress, and digital platforms such as education websites have a positive impact too.

Parent Support Group - Supporting Learning at Home

The next online parent support group meeting will take place on Wednesday 2nd March at 2pm led by Nikki Cole, Deputy Head. The meeting will include how students revise, how parents/carers can support, as well as specific ideas from curriculum areas.

If you would like to attend then please inform the school office by calling: 0116 2298137 or emailing <u>WBadmin@childrenshospitalschool.leicester.sch.uk</u>. Information for accessing the sessions can then be emailed out.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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Link to Exam page of school website