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Dear Parents and Carers

Summer 2024 Examinations – Contingency Day/Half Days

The summer 2024 examinations may seem like a long way off; however, time will pass very quickly, and I want to share essential information with you to avoid any issues next summer.

During the spring term, students will be issued with their individual examination timetables, which will show when their final examinations take place.

The Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ) need the option to postpone an examination in the event of an incident and then rearrange for a later date, to allow all students a fair and equal chance to sit their examinations. As such, the contingency day for summer 2024 examinations has been put in place “in the event of national or significant local disruption to examinations during the summer 2024 examination series”.

The date that has been set aside as the contingency day is **Wednesday 26 June 2024**. This means that all examination candidates must be available to sit examinations from the date of their first examination up until and including Wednesday 26 June 2024.

In addition, there are two scheduled contingency afternoons – Thursday 6 June and Thursday 13 June 2024. There are currently no examinations scheduled on the afternoons of 6 and 13 June; however, all candidates must be available to sit examinations on these dates.

These dates are not an academy decision and they apply to all candidates in all schools nationally. Please note that the contingency examination dates will not show on students’ individual examination timetables.

I would recommend that parents/carers please make a note of the above dates. It will be devastating for a student to miss a good grade after working hard for two years, should they be absent from a rearranged final examination.

Should you have any queries regarding this, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Cooksey, examination officer, on 0191 4334029.

Yours faithfully

Mr A Fowler
Principal

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