Dear Parent/Carer,

## Year 9 End of Year Examinations - Monday 20th - Friday 24th May

Year 9 students will sit their end of year examinations during the week commencing 20<sup>th</sup> May. These examinations represent a significant step in moving towards GCSEs in Year 10 and 11. It is crucial that students do their best and give a true reflection of the progress they have made this year.

The end of year examinations will be undertaken in the Sports Hall under strict exam conditions, according to the timetable below.

Year 10 Exam TT	Session 1 8.50am - 10.50am	Session 2 11.10am - 12.30pm	Session 3 1.15pm - 3.15pm
Monday 20th May	English Paper 1 - Language 45 mins	Maths - Paper 1 - Non- Calculator 60 mins	Mandarin 30 mins
Tuesday 21st May	Science 75 mins	Computer Science - Paper 1 - Theory 60 mins	Geography 60 mins
Wednesday 22nd May	English Paper 2 - Literature 45 mins	History 60 mins	DT 60 mins
Thursday 23rd May	Music 60 mins	Maths - Paper 2 - Calculator 60 mins	Food 45 mins
Friday 24th May	Spanish Reading 30 mins	RE 45 mins	Art 90 mins

<sup>\*</sup>Students will be completing practical assessments in their timetabled lessons for Art, Drama and Computing. They will also complete speaking assessments in Spanish and Mandarin lessons.

It is important that students spend time preparing for their end of year examinations. Teachers will be helping students prepare for their examinations in lessons and through homework tasks. Students will also attend an assembly in school to let them know what to expect and how to prepare.

Students are expected to be fully equipped for the examinations:

- A clear pencil case;
- Black pens;
- Pencils;
- Ruler, protractor and compass;
- Calculator (when needed check your timetable);
- Water bottle (clear with no labels).

Students should leave their bags and coats in lockers. In line with examination procedures, as well as school expectations, mobile phones and smart watches should not be taken into the exam hall.

## **Year 9 GCSE Curriculum Preferences**

Thank you for all your efforts in ensuring students submitted their options preferences by the deadline. Students will be notified of their Year 10 courses no later than Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June.