



Year 13 Parents' Evening

Mrs Radford

Tuesday 26th February 2019





Reflection

- Mocks completed – reflection time for students was February
- Timeline – 3 months until **20th May** when A Level exams start
- Approximately:
 - = 43 school days
 - = 18 weekend days
 - = 15 days of holiday

76 days

- Revision **must** start now.
- **Focus in March – May:** preparation and action. Targeted Next Steps Advice to act on, revision tools and resources and self-assessment .





Examinations

- Start at 9.00am in the morning
- Afternoon start at 1.30pm
- Students can take **morning off** for an **afternoon exam**
- For morning exams, they must go to lessons immediately afterwards

- Mrs Lisa Clinch – Examinations Officer contactable on lclinch@gordons.school





Examinations

- Individual timetables will be distributed to students this week.
- Take a copy and put it on the door of the fridge and build the dates into your diaries too.
- Every year at least one student forgets an examination.
- Try to develop a routine of calmness at home in the morning of an examination.





Good study habits

1. Use study periods properly – allocate tasks to each one
2. Make the most of study spaces: study room in House and the Library
 - Open until 9pm weekly
 - Saturday study clinic 10-12noon – earn the time off
3. Communication with teachers
 - Act on Next Steps Advice- it is working smart!
4. Be organised – could be worth a grade per subject
 - E.g. Planner
 - E.g. Folder structure / dividers





Working smart – what are they doing with their ‘white spaces’?

| | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | Sun |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-----|-----|
| Period 0 Before school | | | | | | | |
| Period 1 | Lesson | Lesson | Lesson | Lesson | Lesson | | |
| Period 2 | Lesson | Lesson | | | Lesson | | |
| Period 3 | | | | | | | |
| Period 4 | | | Lesson | Lesson | Lesson | | |
| Lunch | | | | | | | |
| Period 5 | | | Lesson | Lesson | Lesson | | |
| Period 6 | Lesson | | | | | | |
| Period 7 | | | | | | | |
| Period 8 / Tea | | | | | | | |
| Prep 1: 6 - 6.45pm (LIB) | | | | | | | |
| Prep 2: 6.45 - 7.30pm (LIB) | | | | | | | |
| Prep 3: 7.30-8.15pm (LIB) | | | | | | | |
| Prep 4: 8.15 - 9pm (LIB) | | | | | | | |
| Prep 5: 9.15 - 10pm | | | | | | | |
| Prep 6: 10.15 - 11pm | | | | | | | |



Working smart

Y13 Goal: 8 hours per subject per week extra = 24 hours per week outside their 15 hour lessons

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|--------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-----|
| Period 0 Before school | | | | | | | |
| Period 1 | Lesson | Lesson | Lesson | Lesson | Lesson | SPORTS | |
| Period 2 | Lesson | Lesson | 15 | 18 | Lesson | SPORTS | |
| Period 3 | 1 | 8 | 16 | 19 | 23 | | |
| Period 4 | 2 | 9 | Lesson | Lesson | Lesson | | |
| Lunch | | Clinic | | Clinic | | | |
| Period 5 | 3 | 10 | Lesson | Lesson | Lesson | 27 | |
| Period 6 | Lesson | 11 | 17 | 20 | 24 | 28 | |
| Period 7 | Clinic | | SPORTS | | | 29 | |
| Period 8 / Tea | | | SPORTS | | | | |
| Prep 1: 6 - 6.45pm (LIB) | 4 | 11 | | 21 | 25 | | |
| Prep 2: 6.45 - 7.30pm (LIB) | 5 | 12 | | 22 | 36 | | |
| Prep 3: 7.30-8.15pm (LIB) | 6 | 13 | | | | | |
| Prep 4: 8.15 - 9pm (LIB) | 7 | 14 | | | | | |
| Prep 5: 9.15 - 10pm | | | | | | | |
| Prep 6: 10.15 - 11pm | | | | | | | |

Home
Study Room or Library



Balance





Revision Timetable

- Start to devise one now: begin with 'end in mind'
- Embed breaks; stick to Gordon's rhythm of 55 min slots
- Work smartly: test/study/re-test
- Regular revision of topics—avoid cramming
- Exam board websites for past papers

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GCSE, AS and A-level changes



Some GCSEs, AS and A-level qualifications are changing, as the government introduces new regulations about subject content and assessment.

[More about the changes >](#)

Become an examiner





Targeted Parents' Evening

- Students and parents will be invited on **Monday 25th March 2019 - 6pm in the Gym**





Holidays





Results Day

- 8.00am collection
- Thursday 15th August





UCAS

- Students who have received their responses **by 31st March** have until **1st May** to reply.
- They need to narrow down possible **5 to 2**: one firm and one insurance offer.
- NOTE: If they achieve the grades for the firm offer they 'have' to go- they cannot change on results day to insurance.
- If they have not been offered a place by any of their choices, UCAS Extra opened on 25th February.
- Clearing support on results day: we will have phones available and staff to support any clearing applications.





Contacts at school

- Mrs Radford – Head of Sixth Form
- Mrs Hughes- Deputy Head (Curriculum) Sixth Form
- Mr Walters – Deputy Head (Pastoral) Sixth Form
- Mrs Hall- Sixth Form Administrator

- Heads of Houses and Sixth Form tutors
- Teachers and Heads of Departments – subjects

- Ms Phillips – SENDCo (Taunton)
- Mr Reeve – Deputy Head (Curriculum)





Signing in – Medway (Drama block)

