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Dear Parents,

## **GCSE Examinations – Important Dates**

We are now only nine teaching weeks away from Year 11 pupils starting their examination leave, so I am writing to inform you of some important dates which are listed below.

**GCSE – study leave from Friday 14 May, 12.45pm** (details to follow at the beginning of the Summer Term concerning the organisation of this day)

- *First GCSE written exam: Italian on Monday 17 May*
- *Languages oral exams: Tuesday 4 to Friday 7 May* – the Modern Languages Department will provide pupils with the date/s of their oral/s
- *Art exam: Monday 10 to Wednesday 12 May (candidates are only required for two of these three days)* – the Art Department will inform pupils on which of the two days they will be required
- *Drama practical: Thursday 13 May (5pm-7pm)*
- *Book Collection Day: Friday 25 June* – details to follow at the beginning of the Summer Term

Once examination leave has started all pupils studying Art, should not be in school to complete Art work until after their final GCSE examination.

The Art Exhibition set-up and external moderation will take place between the 18 and 25 June. We are aware that there are some pupils studying Art who during these dates will still have written GCSE examinations to sit; they will be told the dates they are required in school to set-up their Art Exhibition.

If pupils have visited Mrs Deer, the Examinations Officer, as requested they should now have a copy of their individual GCSE examination timetable, thus allowing them to plan their revision, which hopefully has begun.

As mentioned at the Parents' Evening a timetable (see reverse) of GCSE revision sessions as organised by subject areas has been collated. This letter and the timetable, called 'GCSE Revision Sessions' can also be viewed on line at St. Dunstan's College website under the downloads section on the homepage. It is expected that those pupils who achieved C or D grades in their Trial Examinations should attend the relevant revision session. Other pupils are free to attend if they wish. Of course pupils should also be proactive in seeking advice and help from their subject teachers, as they require it.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries about the content of this letter.

Yours sincerely

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