



Woodkirk Academy

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The Sixth Form @ Woodkirk Academy

Principal: Mrs J Barton BMus (Hons) MA NPOH

MAY 2018

Dear Parent,

SUMMER EXAMINATIONS DURING RAMADAN AND EID (Year 10, Year 11, Year 12, Year 13)

As you will be aware, GCSE / A Level and other examinations take place for students in May/June 2018. Students, teachers and parents are working hard to ensure that all students achieve the best possible outcomes from these qualifications.

Many of our students will observe Ramadan and celebrate Eid (**Thurs/Fri, 14/15 June**) during this time, which can pose a challenge with the amount of work and sometimes pressure associated with the examinations. It is important to note that examinations will take place throughout Ramadan and Eid and after consultation with Government departments, it is evident that these examination dates are fixed. Unfortunately, there are **no** procedures available to re-sit or move these examinations, so it is important all students are available for these dates.

Please note that the final examination period ends on 25 June 2018.

We are contacting you, as parents of year 10 /11 / 12 / 13 students so you are aware of these dates. This will allow you to make plans to support your son/daughter (should they require this) during this important period. Please see overleaf for advice which has been shared by the British Muslim Council, the Association of School and College Leadership and the NHS (the links can be found below). Please note that the full examination timetable can be found on the Academy's website under the tab: 'Students'.

The following examinations are scheduled (as they appear on the exam timetable):

<p>THURSDAY 14 JUNE: AM: GCE(A2) - AQA Physics Component 3 Written; GCE(A2) - OCR Psychology Component 3 Written; L3 Certificate - AQA Applied Science (Applied General) Unit 3 Written (Y12); GCSE - AQA Spanish Component 4 (Writing). PM: GCE(A2) - Edexcel Geography Component 3 Written; GCE(A2) - Edexcel Government and Politics Unit 4 Written.</p>	<p>FRIDAY 15 JUNE AM: GCSE - AQA 8463 Physics Component 2 Written GCSE - AQA 8464 Science Trilogy Component 6 Written PM: GCE(A2) - AQA Sociology Component 3 Written GCE(A2) - Edexcel Further Mathematics M2 Written GCE(AS) - Edexcel Mathematics D1 Written</p>
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If you have any questions or concerns about the examinations or particular students, please do not hesitate to contact school and ask for:

- Year 11** – Mr Watson, Mr. A. Smith or Mr Currie;
- Sixth Form** – Miss Danby or Mr Lowe. (*see the planner for contact details*)

Important/ useful documents:

- The Muslim Council of Britain
<http://www.mcb.org.uk/ramadan/ramadan-and-you/>
- NHS, Healthy Ramadan
<http://www.nhs.uk/livewell/healthylamadan/Pages/healthylamadhanhome.aspx>
- ASCL, Ramadan and Exams, 2018: information for schools and colleges
<https://www.ascl.org.uk/download.54A01794-5782-4CF4-A72D4ADE6445055E.html>

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