

Thursday 8 June 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11 Leaving Arrangements June 2023

As the GCSEs draw to a close, I wanted to write to you to outline the leaving arrangements for our Year 11 students.

Firstly, I wanted to thank you for your fantastic, unwavering support during your child's time with us here at Outwood Acklam. The year group have conducted themselves with unprecedented levels of commitment to their studies, under the most difficult circumstances; we are so proud of them!

Their warm, genuine support of each other, and their willingness to grab hold of every learning opportunity we have offered has been completely awe-inspiring. The year group have approached all aspects of their work with excellent focus, and I have no doubt that your work at home, coaxing them to revise systematically, alongside encouraging attendance at all the after-school Enrichments, has made all the difference.

Thank you so much for making arrangements for your child to attend our numerous Revision Breakfast Sessions, ahead of each morning GCSE examination. We've had an average attendance of 94% across all of the sessions and this could not have happened without the fantastic teamwork between students, teachers and parents/ carers alike.

Study Leave

As of Monday 12 June as a significant number of the GCSE exams have been completed we will start to allow students the opportunity of study leave. During this time students are expected to arrive at the academy in full uniform as usual.

Your child is encouraged to maintain strong attendance through the final full week of GCSE exams and where masterclasses are timetabled for exams that are yet to be completed we strongly recommend that your child remains in school to receive support from subject specialists.

It is the assumption that parents will consent to allowing study leave, however, if for any reason study leave is not appropriate for your child, there will be provision in place at all times for independent study or

teacher-led sessions whenever students are not in examinations. If you are unable to give your permission for study leave please can you respond via email to r.galloway@acklam.outwood.com

Please find below the specific detail for next week in regards to examinations, when students should be leaving school site as well as after school enrichments.

If your child has already been issued study leave and is only permitted in the academy for examinations then there is no change to this arrangement moving forward.

Monday 12th June	AM	Masterclass - English (7:45 onwards)	English Language Exam (9a.m.)
	11:00	End of English exam	STUDY LEAVE - For students <u>not studying business.</u>
	11:00	Masterclass - Business Studies	Study Room - for students who want to remain on site, or unable to go home.
	PM	Business Studies Exam (1:00pm - 1 hour 30 minutes)	Study Room - for students who want to remain on site, or unable to go home.
	02:30	After School sessions - Chemistry	
Tuesday 13th June	AM	Masterclass - Chemistry (7:45 onwards)	Chemistry Exam (9a.m.)
	10:15	End of Combined Science Chemistry exam	STUDY LEAVE - For students not studying Geography. MATHS sessions running for the remainder of the day, for students who want to remain on site, or unable to go home.
	10:45	End of Triple Science Chemistry exam	STUDY LEAVE - For students not studying Geography. MATHS sessions running for the remainder of the day, for students who want to remain on site, or unable to go home.
	11:00	Masterclass - Geography	Masterclass - Maths (anyone not studying Geography)
	12:00	Geography students STUDY leave - MATHS sessions running for the remainder of the day, for students who want to remain on site, or unable to go home.	12:00 - 12:30: Lunch

	PM	Masterclass - Maths (P4/5)	Study Room - for students who want to remain on site, or unable to go home.
	02:30	After School sessions - Maths	
Wednesday 14th June	AM	Masterclass - Maths (7:45 onwards)	Maths Exam - 1 hr 30 minutes (9a.m.)
	10:30	End of Maths exam	STUDY LEAVE - For students <u>not studying History.</u> Study Room - for students who want to remain on site, or unable to go home
	11:00	Masterclass - History	Study Room - for students who want to remain on site, or unable to go home.
	12:00	12:00 - 12:30: Lunch	
	PM	Masterclass - History / Geography (P4/5)	Study Room - for students who want to remain on site, or unable to go home.
	02:30	After School sessions - History	
Thursday 15th June	AM	Masterclass - History (7:45 onwards)	History Exam - 1 hr 20 minutes (9a.m.)
	08:45	Masterclass - Geography (P1/2)	Study Room - for students who do not study History or Geography.
	10:20	End of History exam	STUDENTS <u>not studying History/Geography are requested to arrive at school for 10:45am,</u> to attend Physics Masterclasses.
	10:30	Extended break for History students	
	11:00	Masterclass - Physics	
	12:00	12:00 - 12:30: Lunch	
	PM	Masterclass - Physics (P4)	
		(P5) Study Room - for students who want to remain on site, or unable to go home. (Supervised by Science and Geography colleagues)	
02:30	After School sessions - Geography		

Friday 16th June	AM	Masterclass - Physics (7:45 onwards)	Physics Exam - 1hr 15/1hr 45 minutes (9a.m.)
	10:15	End of Combined Science Physics exam	STUDY LEAVE - For students <u>not studying Geography.</u> Study Room - for students who want to remain on site, or unable to go home.
	10:45	End of Triple Science Physics exam	STUDY LEAVE - For students <u>not studying Geography.</u> Study Room - for students who want to remain on site, or unable to go home.
	10:30	Extended break for Geography students	
	11:00	Masterclass - Geography	Study Room - for students who want to remain on site, or unable to go home.
	12:00	12:00 - 12:30: Lunch	
	PM	Geography Exam - 1pm (1hr 15 mins)	(P4/5) Study Room - for students who want to remain on site, or unable to go home.
	02:30	After School sessions - DT	

Leavers' Event

We would like to invite all students into the academy on Monday 19 June 2023 at 11am until 12.30pm to enable them to experience their final day alongside their peers. During this time we will be hosting our leavers assembly where refreshments will be available for all students and there will be the opportunity for shirts to be signed.

Full academy uniform must be worn, however, students will be welcome to wear their leavers hoodies in replacement of their blazer if they wish. Students will need to bring a second shirt for signing.

If your child has already been issued study leave and is only permitted in the academy for examinations then they are not permitted to attend this event.

Any students sitting the Design Technology exam at 9am the morning of Monday 19 June can make their way to join our Year 11 students upon finishing this exam.

Any students sitting the Hospitality and Catering exam at 9am on Wednesday 21 June are invited to attend our Masterclass on Tuesday 20 June which will be taking place at 12:30 - 2:30pm in the Academy.

Revision Guides

At the start of the year, during our Year 11 Revision Event, students were provided with a revision guide pack. It was advised that these revision guides **MUST** be returned in good condition to enable these to be reused or a payment of £5 is to be made. Can we please ask that all revision guides are returned to Student Services by Friday 16 June.

Uniform Donations

If you are able to donate any items of school uniform or PE Kit to the school these would be very welcome and can be brought into school on the students' final day. Many families are facing financially challenging times and any uniform items we can give to current, and incoming students, will be very welcome.

Lunch Accounts

Students who have exceeded the funds in their lunch accounts need to 'clear' any outstanding lunchtime debts via our Robertson's catering team. Please take an opportunity to log into your child's iPay account and check their final balance.

Prom at Gisborough Hall

The Y11 Prom will be held at Gisborough Hall on Wednesday 28 June. Students can arrive at the prom from 6.00pm and will leave no later than 11.00pm. Please ensure that transport home is arranged for this time.

Results Day

Results day will be **Thursday 24 August 2023** and students can collect their statement of results from the Main Hall between 9.00am and 10.00am.

Students who are unable to collect their results can nominate a friend or family member to collect them on their behalf. **A signed letter from the student confirming that they give permission must be provided and the nominated person must bring a form of photo identification with them.** The results will not be released without these things in place.

No results will be given out by telephone or email under any circumstances. Any results that haven't been collected by 11.00am will be posted to the student at the home address we have on file.

Parent/Carer Survey

Finally, I would like to ask you to complete a short, on-line survey to share your views on your child's time at Acklam. Your feedback is used to help us develop and grow as an Academy and provide the support our young people need to develop into well-rounded and resilient adults.

To access the survey please follow this link <https://forms.gle/U32Di2uVIP72Ms8Q9>

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families well and wish your child all the very best for a bright future. The Year 11 students are a genuine credit to their parents and families, not just for their studious approach and resilience, but for their warmth and friendliness too.

Kind regards, as ever, on behalf of all the teachers and staff at Outwood Academy Acklam.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'GSKM' with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Graham Skidmore
Principal