



Aylsham High School

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Dear Parent/Carer

April 2024

Year 9 and 10 exam dates and revision schedule

There are a couple of key dates which will be important as we approach your child's summer GCSE exams.

The exams start on Tuesday 7th May and end on Wednesday 19th June. Students were issued with their individual timetable in March showing the dates and times of their exams. Included with their timetable was an examinations procedure booklet which contains important information and expectations regarding external exams. If required, a further copy of your child's individual exam timetable can be obtained from Mrs Gilbert, who is the school's exams officer, by emailing sgilbert@aylshamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk. A timetable detailing external exam revision sessions can be found on the exams page of the school's website <https://www.aylshamhigh.com/ahs-exams>

During the exam season, lessons will be running as normal and students are expected to attend these lessons following their regular timetable. We will continue to use this lesson time to support students with their preparation for their exams. Around these lessons we have created some opportunities for extra revision sessions, which will be delivered by subject teachers, for students to attend. Students have found these sessions to be very useful in previous years. Due to timetable restrictions, these sessions may clash with an exam and in this case attendance at the exam will take priority. **A copy of this timetable has been included for your reference. Departments will provide each student with additional details, times and locations of these sessions, nearer the time.** Please contact the head of department if you have any queries; email addresses for staff can be found on the school website: <https://www.aylshamhigh.com/usefulcontactsandemailaddresses>

It is very important that your child attends the revision sessions, especially the ones taking place before an exam. An attendance check will be taken at this point and we will be contacting any students who are absent to ensure that they do not miss their exam.

Some students will have more than one subject in which they have external exams this year. When these students have completed an exam for one of their examined subjects, they will either attend extra revision sessions for subjects whose exam they have not yet taken, following the timetable mentioned earlier, or they will be working within their normal timetabled lesson to complete revision for remaining exams. Departments will be able to provide resources to support this work, but we will also be encouraging students to bring their own resources.

When attending exams it will be important for students to arrive 10 minutes before the start time. Daily exam information will be available on the notice board outside the exams office. Students will need to bring with them any necessary equipment, and a black ball point pen will be needed for all exams. To help with this we have put together exam ready pencil cases, containing the equipment required for exams. We have a few spare exam ready pencil cases left. If your child would like an exam ready pencil case, please can you or your child contact the finance office, finance@aylshamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk, and our finance department will add it to your child's ParentPay to be purchased for £2.

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We are expected to follow the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ) guidelines during exams. One of the JCQ expectations is that students must not bring electronic devices into the exam hall. This includes watches. Therefore, students will be required to leave phones, headphones, smart watches and regular watches in their lockers **before** they come to the exam hall. Could you please discuss this with your child to help ensure that this requirement is followed.

During the week commencing 11th March, students watched a video during a lesson about the external exams and revision. We are sharing this video with families too so that you are aware of what has been discussed, and to enable those students who were absent to watch the video at home with you. Please follow this QR code to access the video, or alternatively, please click on this link [here](#).



Any further exam updates will be posted on the school website and Twitter (@aylshamhigh) so please check these. An additional date for your diary is GCSE results day which is Thursday 22nd August. Further details regarding the collection of results will be shared with families nearer the time.

I would like to wish all our students good luck for their summer exams. I am sure that the hard work our students have put into their studies will be reflected in the grades which they achieve.

If you have any questions about the exams taking place, please do not hesitate to contact the school. The first point of contact should be your child's form tutor.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C Bridge'.

Mr C Bridge
Deputy Headteacher

Week	Day	Date	1	2	break	3	lunch	4	5
2	Mon	3-Jun						GCSE PE paper 2 1hr 15min (1hr 34min)	
								GCSE History paper 2 1hr 45min (2hr 12min)	
								Geography revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lessons	
	Tues	4-Jun	Business revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lessons			Business revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lessons		Business revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lessons	
			CAMNAT Health and Social revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lesson			CAMNAT Health and Social revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lesson		CAMNAT Health and Social revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lesson	
	Weds	5-Jun	GCSE Geography paper 2 1hr 30min (1hr 53min)			Business revision for students in year 9 and 10 from their timetabled lessons		GCSE Business paper 2 1hr 30min (1hr 53min)	
1	Thurs	6-Jun	CAMNAT i-media revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lessons			CAMNAT i-media revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lessons		CAMNAT i-media revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lessons	
								History revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lessons	
	Fri	7-Jun							
	Mon	10-Jun						CAMNAT i-Media year 9,10&11 1hr 30min (1hr 53min)	
	Tues	11-Jun						GCSE History paper 3 1hr 20min (1hr 40min)	
	Weds	12-Jun						Level 2 Certificate in Further Maths paper 1 1hr 45min (2hr 12min)	
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			Music revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lessons			Music revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lessons			
	Thurs	13-Jun	DT revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lessons			DT revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lessons		DT revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lessons	
			Food preparation and nutrition revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lessons			Food preparation and nutrition revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lessons		Food preparation and nutrition revision years 9, 10 and 11 in normal timetabled lessons	
1	Fri	14-Jun	GCSE Geography paper 3 year 10&11 1hr 30min (1hr 53min)						
						Music revision session for year 9, 10 and 11 (year 9 and 10 from their timetabled lesson)		GCSE Music year 9,10&11 1hr45min (2hr 12min)	
	Mon	17-Jun	DT revision Mrs Pulford's groups year 9, 10 and 11. Details to be confirmed with students.					DT revision Mr Walsh's groups year 9, 10 and 11. Details to be confirmed with students.	
								Food preparation revision year 9, 10 and 11. Details to be confirmed with students.	
1	Tues	18-Jun	GCSE DT Metal and Timber year 9,10&11 1hr 45min (2hr 12min)						
	Weds	19-Jun	GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition year 9,10&11 1hr 45min (2hr 12min)						
			Level 2 Certificate in Further Maths paper 2 1hr 45min (2hr 12min)						
			Fine Art, Graphics and Textiles exams - take place on Tuesday 7th, Wednesday 8th, Thursday 9th, Friday 10th of May.						
Teachers have informed students when their art/graphics/textiles exams will take place. Details of these have also been emailed to parents/carers via ParentMail.									