



Monday 5 September 2022

Year 11 Exam Dates 2022/2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

Ahead of the new academic year, I wanted to draw your attention to the key exam dates for this year. Please note, **the following dates are provisional and are subject to change.**

The main exam periods will be:

- November Mocks (including External ICT Exams): Monday 7 November to Friday 2 December.
- March Mock Exams: Monday 27 February to Friday 17 March.
- Final GCSE Exams (including Practical Components): Monday 24 April to Friday 30 June.

The following external exams will also take place across the spring term. These exams will count towards your child's final grade if they undertake the appropriate subject:

- Enterprise and Marketing: Wednesday 11 January.
- Health and Social Care: Wednesday 1 February.
- Travel and Tourism: Tuesday 7 February.
- Sport: Thursday 9 February.
- Music Technology (two papers): Monday 6 March to Friday 10 March
- ICT (Resit): Monday 3 April to Thursday 6 April.

Individual timetables and seating allocations will be distributed prior to each exam session. It is essential that your child is in school to attend these exams. Outside of these periods, subjects with Non-Exam Assessments will be scheduling these assessments to take place. This work will also contribute to your child's final grades, so attendance to school is imperative across the year.

You should be aware that your child's external exams are timetabled on days and times set by the Awarding Organisations. These are out of our control. All pupils across the country will sit their exams at the same date and time and we cannot move these for any reason.

You should not be booking holidays or medical appointments during school hours anyway, but particularly not during exam periods. **If your child misses an exam, they will not have an opportunity to resit the exam at a different date or time. They will also not be entitled to special consideration if the absence was avoidable** (such as a holiday or a pre-planned medical appointment). **We also reserve the right, in line with our Charging and Remissions Policy, to charge you for any public examination that your child does not attend without good reason.** Therefore, it is imperative that you do not book any term-time holidays or any other appointments during school hours up to and including Friday 30 June 2023 (subject to change).

If your child misses one of their exams, this will have a detrimental impact on their GCSE results, so please try to avoid any absences before the end of June 2023.

If you have any queries, you can email me at Exams@penkethhigh.org

Yours Sincerely,

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Exams and Data Manager



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