

20th May 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Year 10 Assessment

I am writing to you to let you know how we are planning to continue to assess and monitor student academic progress over the Summer and Autumn terms this year.

Due to our current mode of Guided Distance Learning we are no longer holding our scheduled Internal Examination Week (1st-5th June 2020). However, students will still be given the opportunity to demonstrate their level of attainment and the progress that they are making in each subject, in this important first year of their GCSE examination courses.

Therefore, as part of normal online lessons in June, students will be set an assessment task in each of their subjects. This will be completed in class time and graded in accordance with our normal assessment policy: as such, they will form part of the discussion in the end of year reports and grade sheets that are issued. To clarify, these are not formal 'exams' and will not require substantial additional revision by the students. Any preparation recommended by teachers will be clearly signposted on Google Classroom and will form part of the normal course-of-study.

Looking forward, when students return to start Year 11, we will plan for all students to sit a more formal assessment in each subject during their first Mock Examination Week. This is scheduled to take place soon after the Summer break, in the week commencing 21st September. A list of topics for revision, together with recommended resources and materials, will be provided by each subject before the Summer holiday, giving students plenty of time to consolidate their learning so far. This will provide a useful indication of student progress on their GCSE/IGCSE courses, with plenty of time to act upon the feedback from this week before a second Mock Examination Week for Year 11, in January 2021.

I hope this information is helpful and gives you a good idea of the approach we are taking towards assessment and towards monitoring your child's academic progress at this time.

If you have any queries, please do contact Jenny Powlesland (<u>jennypowlesland@leightonpark.com</u>) or Karen Gracie-Langrick (<u>karengracie-langrick@leightonpark.com</u>).

Best wishes,

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