



Dear Parents and Carers

Year 12: End of Year 12 assessments – Monday, 2 June – Thursday 12 June 2025

I am writing to confirm the arrangements for the Year 12 internal assessments. We hold assessments for Year 12 in order to assess student's knowledge to inform future teaching and to prepare students for their external A-level examinations, which will take place in May - June next year, 2026. We want students to experience sitting a formal assessment before they sit their external examinations.

The end of Year 12 assessments will be the key basis of the UCAS predicted grades, given that this will be the closest experience to the final external examinations. We will also consider, however, the quality of work produced over the course of Year 12 and the start of Year 13. Results will be shared with students as well as with home for the grades they achieve in these assessments and what their predicted grade is for higher education. Our full UCAS predicted grades policy is on our website.

Due to the importance of these assessments and in order to ensure fairness and consistency for all students, all assessments must be sat on the day they are scheduled for, just like external examinations. A student will not be able to sit the assessment on a different day. If there is an unavoidable reason for example a hospital appointment, details must be sent in writing (via email) to the Deputy Head of Sixth Form or the Head of Sixth Form. There will be no opportunity to do the assessment at another time.

In the event of a student achieving a U grade, their subject teacher will be in touch to discuss this as well as give the student clear next steps.

An individual copy of the examination timetable will be given to your child and a timetable of subjects will be posted on the school website: www.whgs-academy.org/Secondary/Exams-Area/Timetables-and-Results-Days

Students who have access arrangements (e.g. extra time, use of a laptop etc.) for external examinations will have the same arrangement in these internal assessments.

There is no study leave for the internal assessments. Students are expected to attend school as normal throughout this period as teachers will continue teaching important A-level content and examination study skills. They should arrive for their assessment in plenty of time or go to their normal morning lesson if they do not have an assessment scheduled at that time. Whenever they do not have an assessment scheduled, they should attend lessons at the specified time on their timetable.

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Mobile phones, iPods, smart watches etc are **NOT** allowed in assessments under any circumstances. Students must be silent in the assessment room, face the front when seated and not communicate with other students in any way. Students **MUST** supply all their own equipment for the exams (black pens, pencils, **calculators** etc) and bring it to the assessment in a clear plastic bag or pencil case.

In the run up to the assessments we would ask that you monitor your child's revision and provide a quiet area away from distractions for them to study.

After the assessments, we will be running our UCAS Preparation Day and Personal Statement Day as well as giving students important information about apprenticeships. These two important days will help to ensure our students are ready to apply to university as soon as the application window opens in the Autumn term. It is therefore vital that excellent levels of attendance are maintained right through to the last day of term.

Finally, I would like to wish your child the best of luck in their Year 12 assessments.

Yours sincerely

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