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Year 13: key information and support

Dear Student and Parent/Carer for information

Year 13 students have been working with focus and commitment following the mock exams. They have received their mock results and have been working on feedback in all subjects. This process is incredibly important as students learn key lessons from these assessments which informs their revision strategy in preparation for the summer exams.

Supporting success

All subject areas have a clear plan to support students in lessons through teaching new content and setting revision activities over the final 9 school weeks. The length of dedicated revision time in lessons will vary between subjects, depending on the nature of the content studied. Teachers will continue to set a range of home learning tasks and structured revision tasks which help students to revisit other elements of the course in a focused and purposeful manner. These revision tasks will be set on Arbor for students and are accessible on Showbie.

Subject areas are running a programme of revision sessions on a weekly basis. The timetable for these sessions is published in the weekly bulletin and promoted with students. Students are also able to study independently in the Study Centre in their timetabled Study periods, designated 'free' periods, and from 8am until 5pm each day.

The Sixth Form Team is always on hand to support students if they have any challenges in their learning or wellbeing. It is important that students share concerns and seek support in school during what can be an anxious time. In addition, our Progression programme continues to support students through a series of small, targeted sessions focusing on wellbeing and revision strategies. Each student will have an allocated meeting time over the next half term with their form tutor to discuss mindset and approach to the final weeks of school. The time of these meetings will be communicated through timetables on Arbor, and students are expected to attend these sessions.

Full attendance in every subject lesson and study period is more crucial than ever at this stage, and we ask for your support in promoting 100% attendance in the final weeks of Year 13. Please ensure that Mrs Reed is informed of any unavoidable absence: ReedT@hgs.rklt.co.uk.

Easter Revision

A programme of revision sessions will run over the Easter holiday. These sessions are designed to promote structured revision for students during the holiday, and to provide opportunities for students to ask questions and build confidence. All of the relevant details, including the timetable and booking information can be found [here](#).

Exam timetable

The exam times have been published for the summer 2025 series. Please access the [overview timetable](#) for information about the specific dates for each examination unit. Students will receive an individual exam timetable in due course.

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Progression beyond the Sixth Form

Students who have applied through UCAS for university courses are receiving offers, and the deadline for students to reply to the offers they receive is 30 June. Students need to think carefully before accepting offers, considering the course content, the location, and the grade requirements. Students will make 2 choices:

Firm acceptance	This is the first choice of university
Insurance acceptance	This is the back-up choice and ideally this should be one with lower offer conditions. This choice will only become relevant if the grades for the firm choice are not met.

Once the choices have been made, the university must honour the offered the place if the conditions are met. Students cannot choose between the firm and insurance when results are published in August. When making choices it is important to consider the following:

1. Is it the right course? Look at the type of assessment and the specific modules
2. Are the university and the city the right place for you to live for at least 3 years?
3. Are the grades achievable, for a firm choice and for an insurance choice?

Students who have not applied to university are encouraged to access the support available in school to investigate the range of apprenticeships and further education options. If a student has changed their mind, and now wishes to apply to university, they can do so by speaking to a member of the Sixth Form Team and accessing [UCAS Extra](#). A range of apprenticeship and degree apprenticeship opportunities continue to be published in the weekly on the [progression section](#) and students can seek opportunities through [Unifrog](#) and the [government apprenticeship website](#). Our Careers Advisers, Mrs Mitchell, Mrs Wainwright and Mrs Howard are available to support students through individual appointments.

Key dates

Parent Consultation Evening – in school between 4pm and 7pm	Tuesday 24 February
Leavers' hoodie payment deadline	Wednesday 25 February
Student Finance advisory evening – The Forum at 6.30pm	Wednesday 4 March
Yearbook payment deadline	Friday 20 March
Deadline to sign up for Easter revision	Thursday 26 March
End of Spring term	Friday 27 March
Start of Summer term	Monday 13 April
Leavers' Ball payment deadline	Monday 4 May
Final day of school – leavers' assembly	Friday 8 May
Leavers' Ball	Saturday 27 June
Final date for accepting UCAS offers	Monday 30 June
Results day	Thursday 13 August

I am sure that the final 9 weeks of school will be positive and productive for our Year 13 students as they prepare for their final exams. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Sixth Form Team via HGSsixthform@hqs.rklt.co.uk.

Yours faithfully,



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