



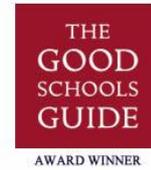
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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 12: Health and Social Care: External Exam

As you are aware, your child is taking an important external exam for Health and Social Care on **Wednesday 15th May 2019**. This is a compulsory important exam. Success in year 12, combined with successful completion of Mrs Sands' coursework unit, means that your child will have gained the equivalent of an AS level in this subject by the end of year 12. It is therefore necessary to plan and prepare very thoroughly for this exam in May 2019. The coursework and exam unit combined constitute 50% of the overall end of the year 13 grade.

Key dates

Wednesday 24th April 2019 periods 1 and 2

A formal and full mock exam will take place on Wednesday 24th April 2019 in periods 1 and 2. This will consist of a 90 minute exam of an unseen paper. Results and feedback will be given in the week of Monday 29th April. This means a structured and meaningful revision programme can be planned for the run up to the exam.

Wednesday 15th May 2019 at 8.30am

This external exam takes place on 15th May. On the day of the exam, the group will meet in the main canteen at registration time. Pre exam breakfast will be provided and I will be there to see the students into the exam.

Results will be available on GCE/BTEC results day on Thursday 15th August.

About the exam

Your child is spending lesson time preparing for this at present with me. Homework tasks are now very important and need to be completed and given in by the due date. All resources will be on Show My Homework.

As we enter the final weeks before the exam, it is important for your child to do a small chunk of revision each day. I would recommend shorter, regular sessions of revision, at least four to five times a week, rather than one long session once or twice a week. Students have covered all the topics and it is now simply a matter of retaining the information for the exam, perfecting exam technique and performing well on the day. There is no need for panic - work now is devoted to exam technique and exam practice.

I would like to thank you for the enormous amount of support you have given your child with their preparation for this exam. It has made a real difference and I am sure they will be successful.

In case you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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