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Dear parent/carer

Year 10 students will be sitting examinations between Monday, 3 June and Thursday, 20 June.

Date	АМ	PM
Mon, 3 June		P5 Spanish and French Reading (45 mins) – 10K,10G & 10S ONLY
Tue, 4 June		P5 French Reading (45 mins) 10B,10H & 10L ONLY
Wed, 5 June		
Thu, 6 June	Options (Block B) PE (60 mins) Hospitality and Catering (80 mins) Computer Science (90 mins) Music (90 mins) Psychology (105 mins) Drama (105 mins) Religious Studies (105 mins) DT (90 mins)	Biology (60 mins)
Fri, 7 June	English Language Paper 2 (105 mins)	Options (Block A) PE (60 mins) Dance (90 mins) Computer Science (90 mins) Religious Studies (105 mins) Psychology (105 mins) DT (90 mins)
Mon, 10 June		P5 French and Spanish Listening (35 mins) 10K,10G & 10S ONLY
Tue, 11 June		P5 French Listening (35 mins) 10B,10H & 10L ONLY
Wed, 12 June	Maths Non-Calculator (90 mins)	
Thu, 13 June	English Literature Paper 2 (135 mins)	French and Spanish Writing ALL (60 mins)
Fri, 14 June		
Mon, 17 June	History (120 mins) Geography (90 mins)	Maths Calculator (90 mins)
Tue, 18 June		
Wed, 19 June		Chemistry (60 mins)
Thu, 20 June		Physics (60 mins)

Practice exams are an opportunity for students to familiarise themselves with the format and content of GCSE papers. They provide both students and their teachers with a clear indicator of current and future academic performance and will yield essential information on areas of strength, weakness and misconceptions at an individual level.

At Goldington Academy, we firmly believe that academic success comes from three things: good teaching, support from home and independent learning. In school we will ensure that students receive high quality teaching to help them prepare for these exams, but it is vital that students also spend time at home revising and undertaking independent study to ensure that they are fully prepared for this important milestone in their GCSE journey.



Students must ensure that they arrive at each exam with the correct equipment. The basic equipment they will need during the exam period include: black pen(s), pencil(s), ruler, rubber, pencil sharpener, protractor, pair of compasses and scientific calculator. If your child needs to purchase any equipment, the school shop is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 8.30am in the Small Hall. Items can be purchased individually, or they may wish to purchase an exam pack, which includes everything apart from a ruler and calculator, for £2.50. Students will be informed by their subject teachers about the exact equipment needed for each exam.

If a student has access arrangements as part of their provision for examinations, then these will be applied during the course of the examination.

We ask that, during this practice exam period, students do not leave school during the day for medical or other appointments.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all Year 10 students the very best of luck with their exams. Please do not hesitate to contact me, Mrs J Henderson (Exams Officer), or your child's subject teacher if you have any questions regarding any of the above.

Yours sincerely

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