

Information for candidates for written examinations –

This document has been written to help you. Read it carefully and follow the instructions.

If there is anything you do not understand, ask your teacher or exams officer.

A REGULATIONS – Make sure you understand the rules

1	Be on time for all your exams. If you are late, your work might not be accepted.
2	Do not become involved in any unfair or dishonest practice during the exam.
3	If you try to cheat, or break the rules in any way, you could be disqualified from all your subjects.
4	You must not take into the exam room: (a) notes; (b) an iPod, a mobile phone, a MP3/4 player or similar device, airpods, or a watch. Any pencil cases taken into the exam room must be see-through. Remember: possession of unauthorised material is breaking the rules, even if you do not intend to use it, and you will be subject to penalty and possible disqualification.
5	You must not have any writing on your hands before or during the exam.
6	Do not use correcting pens, fluid or tape, erasable pens, highlighters or gel pens in your answers.
7	Do not talk to or try to communicate with, or disturb other candidates once inside the exam room.
8	You must not write inappropriate, obscene or offensive material.
9	If you leave the exam room unaccompanied by an invigilator before the exam has finished, you will not be allowed to return.
10	Do not borrow anything from another candidate during the exam.

B INFORMATION – Make sure you attend your exams and bring what you need

1	Know the dates and times of all your exams. Arrive at least fifteen minutes before the start of each exam.
2	Full school uniform should be worn for all exams. Hoodies will not be allowed to be worn in all of the exam venues.
3	Collect your ID card and hand in your phone, before lining up for your exam.
4	If you arrive late for an exam, report to Mrs Charmbury, the Exams Officer.
5	If you arrive more than 45 minutes after the published starting time for the exam, you may not be allowed to take it.
6	You can take water into your exams, but it must be in a clear bottle with no labels on it.
7	You must write clearly and in black ink. Coloured pencils or inks may only be used for diagrams, maps, charts, etc. unless the instructions printed on the front of the question paper state otherwise.

C Calculators, dictionaries and computer spell-checkers

1	You may use a calculator unless you are told otherwise. Make sure that it is reset correctly and the cover has been removed.
2	Do not use a dictionary or computer spell checker unless you are told otherwise.

D Instructions during the exam

1	Always listen to the invigilator. Always follow their instructions.
2	Tell the invigilator at once if: (a) you think you have not been given the right question paper or all of the materials listed on the front of the paper; (b) the question paper is incomplete or badly printed.
3	Read carefully and follow the instructions printed on the question paper and/or on the answer booklet.
4	Do not start writing anything until the invigilator tells you to fill in all the details required on the front of the question paper and/ or the answer booklet before you start the exam. Do not open the question paper until you are instructed that the exam has begun.
5	Make sure your name and candidate number is written correctly on the front of the paper.
6	Do your rough work on the proper exam stationery. Cross it through and hand it in with your answers. Make sure you add your candidate details to any additional answer sheets that you use, including those used for rough work.
7	If the fire alarm goes off, follow the invigilators instructions. Exam papers must be closed and left on the desks and all belongings must be left where they are. You must not communicate with anyone other than an invigilator.

E Advice and assistance

1	If on the day of the exam you feel that your work may be affected by ill health or any other reason, tell the invigilator.
2	Put up your hand during the exam if: (a) you have a problem and are in doubt about what you should do; (b) you do not feel well; (c) you need more paper.
3	You must not ask for, and will not be given, any explanation of the questions.

F At the end of the exam

1	If you have used more than one answer booklet and/or any supplementary answer sheets, place them in the correct order. Place any loose additional answer sheets inside your answer booklet. Make sure you add your candidate details to any additional answer sheets that you use.
2	Do not leave the exam room until told to do so by the invigilator.
3	Do not take your exam card from the exam room.
4	Do not take from the exam room any stationery. This includes the question paper, answer booklets used or unused, rough work or any other materials provided for the exam.