



THE BUCKINGHAM SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

EASTER REVISION SESSIONS

Following previous communications regarding the support that is being offered to your child between now and the summer exams, we have received lots of parent and student feedback about our initial decision to close the school over the Easter holidays and have rescinded our decision to do so.

The school will now be opening for fixed periods of time during the Easter holidays to allow departments to run tailored revision sessions for the students. These will be designed for specific groups of students with the intention that they target specific needs, such as securing Grade 7-9s, improving extended response answers in the exam, completing coursework to the minimum expected grades, etc. To support the wellbeing of the students, we will be ensuring that they are invited to a limited number of these so as not to overwhelm them.

Should your child be invited to one or more of these sessions, you and/or your child will be contacted by that department and be informed of the times that that session will be running. We ask that, as far as possible, you support your child in ensuring that they are able to attend and that they come prepared with the same equipment that they would normally bring to school.

For any students who are not invited to a specific revision session from a department, there will be a general study area available for quiet study during the second week of the holiday which will be supervised by a member of staff at all times. This space will allow the students access to technology and work spaces however, students should bring their own revision resources to use. For both Year 11 and 13, this will be available from 9-2pm Monday-Friday, 8-12 April, and Monday-Thursday, 15-18 April. This area will be set up in the Jubilee Hall and students may come and go as they please, providing they are not disturbing other students who are working.

For both the invited sessions and the general study area space, there will be no expectation to wear school uniform however, our standard behaviour policy will apply and any students who are not meeting this minimum expectation may be asked to leave the site.

On arrival at the school, students should sign in at the main reception and make sure that they sign out when they leave. If they are in a specific revision session, they will be collected from main reception by their teacher and taken over to the area where they will be working. If they are intending to use the general study area, they should go directly into the Jubilee Hall. If you have any concerns regarding transport and being able to get your child to school for either a specific revision session or to use the general study area, please get in touch with Mrs Sally Gallagher (sgallagher@buckinghamschool.org), our School Business Manager, who will be able to discuss options with you.

I look forward to seeing lots of hard work over these next few months and, most importantly, seeing it all pay off in the summer. Please do get in touch should you have any further questions.

Yours faithfully,

Miss R Branson
Assistant Headteacher - Data

The Buckingham School is concerned that every student should have the opportunity to attend school activities/obtain equipment, regardless of their financial circumstances. As such, it may be possible to subsidise those students who would otherwise be unable to attend trips/purchase items. Please feel free to write in confidence to Mrs S Gallagher or Mrs K Bones at office@buckinghamschool.org, if you wish to seek assistance, or obtain more information about Pupil Premium funding.

