

Dear Parent/Guardian

The Year 8 examination week will take place from **Monday 22rd May to Friday 26th May 2017.** All exams will be timetabled and carried out in normal lesson time. Please click the following link to access the exam timetable https://www.staidans.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/Year-8-timetable-1.pdf. Each examination will last for approximately 50 minutes. In Modern Languages however each student will have a short individual French speaking examination which will take place during languages lessons. Students taking two languages will also have a similar speaking test in their second language, either German or Spanish, during the week commencing 6 June.

If students do not have an examination in one of their lessons during the exam week they will be expected to have their books and equipment with them to enable a normal lesson to take place. It is unlikely that they will be able to revise in lesson time. PE will not be affected and students will need to bring their PE kit to school as usual.

Teachers will be guiding students on what to revise and how to prepare for their examinations. In tutor time students will also be discussing study skills and exam preparation techniques. Results from the exams will be used to inform the end of year progress reviews. Examination results will also form part of the process of creating teaching groups for the following academic year alongside other assessment data and work that has been produced throughout the year.

We hope that the information in this letter will help you as parents to support your child in their exam preparation. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely

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