



TNH-office@attrust.org.uk



01760 721480



tnha.attrust.org.uk



Brandon Road, Swaffham, PE37 7DZ



19th April 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

In the lead up to the final few weeks of your child's formal education at The Nicholas Hamond Academy, there are a few important pieces of information we would like to clarify in the lead up to the exams. It is a very important last few weeks and students need to be making the very best use of their time so to be successful and reach their full potential.

Formal exams have already begun with French speaking exams starting this week. Those that take Art will be completing their two-day assessment on the 29th and 30th April. The first full exam being held in the gym will take place on Friday 3rd May and then it's non-stop until the 20th June. Exam timetables have been distributed to all students but are also on display in the foyer for students' reference. Please could we request that your child comes to their exams with the correct equipment. This will differ from subject to subject but at the very minimum your child should bring two black pens, a pencil and a ruler.

It is expected that students will continue to attend school every day as there are core exams throughout the whole exam season and when they are not in exams lessons will have a focus on preparing them for up-coming exams. We will communicate to students and parents later in the term about official leaving dates and arrangements for their last day closer to this time but the time in the academy between exams in this first period of the exam season will give students lots of support for their exams and will be crucial in ensuring they are well prepared for each exam. A gentle reminder that all students attending exams, should be in school uniform. If it is a hot day, students will be allowed to remove their blazers in the exam hall.

During the exam period, the dinner hall will be open from 8am, solely for Year 11 students. Students can use this time for any last-minute revision and/or eat breakfast. When students have an exam in the afternoon, they will go to lunch during Period 4, to ensure they have a prompt start to their afternoon exam. During the whole exam period, intervention sessions and lessons will continue as normal. If a student has already sat their exams for their timetabled subject, they will be allowed to use this time for general revision but it may be in a different timetable room.

Please be reminded that your child's behaviour should remain of a high standard throughout the whole exam period or they risk failing and being removed from their formal exams. Any serious breaches of behaviour, or behaviour that results in disruption of exams or learning of others will result in your child not being able to attend the leavers assembly and/or the Prom. We will not allow the future of our students being put in jeopardy by the poor behaviour of a small minority.

Prom tickets are still available via school money for our celebration at Knights Hill Hotel, Kings Lynn on **4th July** at 7pm. Leavers Hoodies are also able to be ordered from the following website until **24th April**: <https://shop.fizz-group.co.uk/> using the Unique School ID: 27053YR11. Lastly, GCSE results day 2024 will be happening on Thursday **22nd August** where students will be able to collect and celebrate their results and talk through their next steps if required. Timings for this will be announced nearer the time.

Kind regards

Ian Hogarth
Head of Year 11