



KING JAMES'S SCHOOL

KNARESBOROUGH

26th March 2025

Dear Year 11 Parent/Carer,

As we approach the upcoming examination period, we want to ensure that your child is fully supported in their revision and exam preparation.

We have received several queries regarding the two-week period following the first written exam on **Friday 9th May**, and whether students will be permitted to study at home following this. Our primary aim is to provide the best possible support for Year 11 students during this crucial time. As a school we believe that maintaining the normal school timetable until the half-term break (**Friday 23rd May**) will be beneficial.

During this period, teaching staff will be available to guide students in structured revision, and classrooms will be set up to provide a focused and supportive study environment. However, we do understand that some students may prefer to revise at home. If you are able to supervise their home study and believe this would be the most productive option for your child, please complete the form using the link below to confirm that they will not be attending school outside of their scheduled exams. **The deadline for completing the form is 3.15pm on Friday 2nd May 2025.** If we do not receive formal notification from you, we will assume that your child will be in school during this period, and attendance checks will be conducted accordingly:

<https://forms.office.com/e/BvZbJ8NHDX>

For those studying at home, students should only be on-site for their exams—arriving 15 minutes before their scheduled start time (AM or PM) and signing out to leave promptly once their exam has concluded. Please be aware that once an exam has finished, it is the parent/carer's responsibility to ensure their child's safe return home and supervision during study leave.

We understand that this is a particularly stressful time for students and their families, and we are committed to providing the necessary support to help alleviate any pressures while fulfilling our statutory responsibilities. As a reminder, study leave is classified as an absence under Department for Education (DfE) guidelines, as it is an unsupervised period of study.

As a reminder from our previous letter, the Final Assembly for students will take place on **Friday, 23rd May, at 1:30pm**, following the **morning exam**. After the assembly, there will be an opportunity for students to participate in **shirt signing** and to collect their **yearbooks**. We encourage all students to take part in these activities as a way to celebrate their achievements and create lasting memories with their peers.

We hope this information is helpful, but if you have any further questions or require clarification, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards,

The Year 11 Team