



## THE BISHOP OF HEREFORD'S BLUECOAT SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

### **Year 9 Exams**

In order to support the setting of classes for GCSEs in Year 10, we will be holding end of year exams for your child in Maths and English. The examinations are taking place on Thursday the 18<sup>th</sup> of June and will provide valuable information regarding your child's progress in each subject and assist with future planning of our curriculum delivery next academic year.

In addition, these exams will also give students the experience of sitting exams in the main exam venues.

Given the importance of these examinations, it is vital that all students prepare effectively, in advance, so that they achieve their full potential. We advise regular bitesize amounts of revision to ensure their knowledge is building up over time and not all left until the last minute. Please ensure they have somewhere at home where they can work without distractions and talk to them about what work needs to be completed. All students will be receiving tasks from their teachers to help them to prepare.

A high level of attendance and punctuality to school and lessons is absolutely vital. Your child needs to be in all their lessons to ensure key learning is not missed. They also need to gain enough sleep to be effective in school.

If you would like to purchase revision guides or cards from our school shop to help your child prepare for their GCSEs, the examinations boards that we use are as follows:

Pearson for Maths, Science and PE, French, Spanish:

[Past papers](#) | [Past exam papers](#) | [Pearson qualifications](#)

AQA for Geography, History, English Literature and Language, Food, DT, Further Maths, RS, Business Studies

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WJEC for Music and Hospitality and Catering

[WJEC Past Papers](#)

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OCR – Computer Science, Imedia, Sports Studies and Health and Social Care:  
[Past papers materials finder - OCR](#)

Revision guides are available to purchase in our school shop via the following link:  
[The Bishop of Hereford's Bluecoat School - Uniform Expectations and School Shop \(bhbs.hereford.sch.uk\)](#) under Revision Guides Sept 2024 the prices can be seen. If you would like to order any revision books, please email your order through to [schoolshop@bhbs.hereford.sch.uk](mailto:schoolshop@bhbs.hereford.sch.uk) Once the order is received and payment has been made, we can prepare the items for collection.

We really appreciate your support with helping your child to be as prepared as they can be for the year ahead.

Your sincerely,



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Deputy Headteacher