RAINFORD HIGH

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Dear Parent / Carer,

Re: Y10 Pre-Public Examinations – June - July 2021

We know how difficult parents and students have found the last 15 months and as we approach the final weeks of school we do so with optimism, based on the commitment and maturity of our students as they re-engage with school in ways we are more familiar with.

Part of that process for Y10 students will feature their end of year examinations which will take place in a format we all recognise as typical and will give school and our students the opportunity to identify gaps in knowledge, skills and understanding that we can bridge with adapted teaching and learning in light of what the assessments reveal.

In order to support this process, I am writing to let you know 'how this will work' so as students and parents we are clear about expectations, time-frames and outcomes. This is, of course, dependent on all legal limits on social contact being removed in the planned roadmap out of lockdown, and could change if circumstances demand so.

We have conducted assemblies with each Year group to outline the process, and these took place last week. Copies of these assemblies are included by following the link below.

These Assessments – or Pre-Public Examinations – will commence 21st June and will end by Friday 2nd July. Results will be published to students and parents for Y10 on Monday 19th July. Please remember these results can only show performance on what has been assessed, so should not be taken as a guarantee of future performance, but they do represent an important milestone in the road to examinations in Y11. Further formal examinations are planned for January in Y11 to ensure students can be well-prepared for their final examinations at the end of Y11.

For Y10 students that do not attain at a standard that gives us confidence of their commitment or ability to succeed in Y11, additional discussion, support and opportunities will take place in the final week of term.

Important additional support and materials available for both students and parents can be accessed via the school website or following the link here: https://rainford.org.uk/y10-examinations-summer-2021/
Listed below is what will be included in the linked materials:

1. Timetable for Y10 examinations – also attached to this letter
2. Copies of the assembly delivered by Mr Skerry
3. **Y10 Subject Information & Revision** including a breakdown of timings and weighting of examinations, key topics, useful websites and useful revision tips per subject studied. Specific topics for revision are identified to help students focus on the vital information needed.
4. **Making Outstanding Progress** booklet: a guide to how parents and carers can support their child in preparing for examinations at Rainford High.
5. **RHS Revision Strategies** – a booklet which gives general advice on strategies to use in support of revision.

JCQ guidance on malpractice - While these examinations are for internal purposes only, we must remind all our students about malpractice, and guidance can be found at**:**

https://www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/information-for-candidates-documents/

At Rainford, we define malpractice as 'Any action by the student that has the potential to undermine the integrity and validity of the assessment of the student's work', and we would ask all students to be aware of the implications of malpractice prior to the examination season. This was explained in the assembly led by Mr Skerry last week.

Students will be able to access support in Form time where tutors will deliver sessions on common revision strategies to enable your child to revise effectively for their examinations. Additional support will be given by subject teachers also.

This is an important period in your child's education and any support you can provide in line with the school's provision will be highly beneficial. If you have any queries regarding the examinations or your child's progress, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Skerry (a.skerry@rainford.org.uk) or Mr Pendlebury (m.pendlebury@rainford.org.uk) for any pastoral concerns.

We look forward to welcoming you to school in the near future; your support in this, as in all matters, is greatly appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Mr I Murphy
Vice Principal

Y10 Examination Timetable Summer 2021

Date	Start	Subject	Length
Mon 21 Jun	09:00	English Language	01:45
	13:00	Maths- Foundation & Higher Paper 1	01:30
Tue 22 Jun	09:00	Biology Paper 1-Higher	01:45
	09:00	Combined Science Trilogy Biology-F & H	01:15
	09:00	Synergy Paper 1-Foundation	01:45
	13:00	Maths Paper 2- F & H	01:30
Wed 23 Jun	09:00	English Literature	01:45
	13:00	Maths paper 3-F & H	01:30
Thu 24 Jun	09:00	Chemistry Paper 1 Higher	01:45
	09:00	Combined Science Trilogy Chemistry-F & H	01:15
	09:00	Synergy Paper 2-Foundation	01:45
	13:00	Resistant Materials	01:30
	13:00	Food and Nutrition	01:00
	13:00	Hospitality and Catering	01:30
Mon 28 Jun	09:00	Physics Paper 1 Higher	01:45
	09:00	Combined Science Trilogy Physics-F & H	01:15
	13:00	Spanish Writing-Foundation & Higher	01:20
Tue 29 Jun	09:00	History	01:45
	13:00	PE Paper 1	01:00
	13:00	French Writing- F & H	01:20
	13:00	Computer Science Paper 1	01:00
Wed 30 Jun	09:00	Religious Studies	02:00
	13:00	Geography	01:30
Thu 01 Jul	09:00	Spanish Listening-F & H	00:35
	09:00	Spanish Reading-F & H	00:45
	13:00	Sociology	01:00
Fri 02 Jul	09:00	French Reading and Listening- F&H	01:45
	09:00	Computer Science Paper 2	01:00
	13:00	PE Paper 2	01:00
Mon 05 Jul	09:00	Photography Sessions 1 & 2	05:00
	09:00	Fine Art Session 1	05:00

Tues 06 July	09:00	Fine Art Session 2	05:00
Wed 07 July	09:00	Drama Practical	05:00
Thu 08 Jul	09:00	Music Practical 1	05:00
	09:00	Graphics Practical	05:00
	09:00	Photography Session 3	05:00