

Dear Parent / Carer,

Re: Y12 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 Y12 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 Y12 on Friday 16th 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 Y13. For Y12 students that do not attain at a standard that gives us confidence of their commitment or ability to succeed in Y13, additional discussion 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/y12-examinations-summer-2021/ Listed below is what will be included in the linked materials:

- 1. Timetable for Y12 examinations also attached to this letter
- 2. Copies of the assembly delivered by Miss Fawley
- 3. **Y12 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 Miss Fawley on Friday.

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 examination or your child's progress, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Fawley (<u>c.fawley@rainford.org.uk</u>) or Mr Pendlebury (<u>m.pendlebury@rainford.org.uk</u>) 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

Y12 Examination Timetable Summer 2021

Date	Start	Subject	Length
Mon 21 Jun	09:00	Biology Paper 1	01:30
	09:00	Politics Paper 1	02:00
	09:00	Economics Paper 1	01:30
	13:00	Maths Paper 1	01:30
	13:00	Religious Studies Paper 1	01:45
Tue 22 Jun	09:00	Chemistry Paper 1	01:30
	09:00	English Language Paper 2	01:15
	09:00	History Paper 1	01:45
	09:00	Music Paper 1	02:00
	09:00	Physics Paper 1	01:30
	13:00	Geography Paper 1	02:00
	13:00	Psychology Paper 1	02:00
	13:00	English Literature - Prose	01:15
Wed 23 Jun	09:00	Maths Paper 2	01:30
	09:00	PE Paper 1	02:00
	09:00	Creative Digital Media P1	01:00
	13:00	Biology Paper 2	01:30
	13:00	Computer Science Paper 1	01:00
	13:00	Sociology Paper 1	01:00
	13:00	Law Paper 1	01:30
Thu 24 Jun	09:00	Chemistry Paper 2	01:30
	09:00	English Language Paper 1	02:15
	09:00	Spanish Listening	02:30
	09:00	Business Studies Paper 1	02:00
	13:00	History Paper 2	01:45
	13:00	Physics Paper 2	01:30
	13:00	Health & Social Paper 1	01:30
Mon 28 Jun	09:00	Spanish Reading / Writing	02:00
	09:00	Computer Science Paper 2	01:00
	09:00	Sociology Paper 2	01:00
	09:00	Creative Digital Media Paper 2	01:00
	13:00	English Literature - Drama	01:00
	13:00	PE Paper 2	01:00
	13:00	Business Studies Paper 2	02:00

Tue 29 Jun	09:00	Photography	05:00
Wed 30 Jun	09:00	Fine Art	05:00