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Dear Parents,

Year 11 update

Thank you parents

The GCSE examination period can be a challenging time for all the family, so firstly, we would like to extend our warmest thanks to all parents and families for the care, patience and guidance you have given our Year 11 students.

We continue to be incredibly proud of their resilience, positivity and 'can-do' attitude. This letter outlines the key dates and arrangements for Year 11 as they move into the Summer Term.

Key dates

Date	Event
Wednesday 27 March	Year 11 last day of term
Thursday 28 March	Year 11 History class 11A/Hi ONLY in for 'Elizabethan England' masterclass (9am – 11am)
Thursday 28 March - Monday 15 April	Easter Break [including Tuesday 9 April 9am-1pm Art & Photography intervention class at CGA]
Tuesday 16 April	Year 11 back on site at 8.40am - free Year 11 slogan 'Keep Going you're Glowing' T-shirt given to students in Collective Time
Friday 26 April & Monday 29 April	GCSE Art exam 8.40am-2.50pm
Monday 29 April – Friday 3 May	Languages Speaking Exams
Monday 29 April	Geography Paper 3 Pre-Public Exam (3-4pm)
Tuesday 7 May & Wednesday 8 May	Btec Health and Social Care & Btec Enterprise (Business) Component 3 Public exams
Thursday 9 May	GCSE Public Exams begin (RE Paper 1- Christianity and Islam)
Friday 24 May	Last day of half term - 2.50pm finish.
Monday 27 May- Friday 31 May	Half Term
Monday 3 June	Exams continue
Tuesday 18 June	Final GCSE exam (Product Design)
Wednesday 26 June	GCSE contingency day- all students will need to be available on this day in case any exams are cancelled nationally and rescheduled to this day.
Friday 28 June	Year 11 book return
Thursday 4 July	Year 11 Celebration Event
Thursday 22 August	Year 11 Results Day @ 8.30am



Year 11 staffing update

Ms Faiza Waqar's, Year 11 Engagement Support Assistant (ESA), last day at CGA is Wednesday 27 March. We wish Faiza all the best in her future endeavours, and thank her for her support of Year 11. We are very pleased that Ms Josephine Grant (one of CGA's long-standing LSAs) will be joining the Year 11 team, as the new Year 11 ESA until the summer. Ms Grant knows the Year Group well so we are very lucky, and are very grateful to Ms Grant for stepping in.

Spring Term holiday revision + Hackney library opening times

Please visit the CGA 'Curriculum, Exams, and Support' webpage [Exam Support — Clapton Girls' Academy \(claptongirlsacademy.com\)](https://www.claptongirlsacademy.com) to find ways of supporting your child through their Spring Term holiday revision. All students will have received directly, or been signposted via Satchel.one, to relevant learning checks, revision guides and resources for their revision over the holidays.

During the Easter break, your child may find it useful to revise in a quiet space at a local library. Current opening hours of local libraries can be found here: [Libraries | Hackney Council](#)

Year 11 slogan T-shirts – “Keep Going you're Glowing”

On Tuesday 16 April, Year 11's slogan T-shirts will be handed out to students during Collective Time. Students can wear these to the academy instead of the school shirt and blazer from this date. Students must continue to wear their normal plain black school trousers or skirt and black school shoes. If students wish, they may wear a plain black or white base layer underneath. If students need layers to wear over their t-shirt and base layer, this will need to be their blazer or a school jumper. Students will not be allowed to wear hoodies, coats or other non-uniform items.

Summer examination timetable

Please find the link to the summer examination timetable here: [Exams, Support & Results — Clapton Girls' Academy \(claptongirlsacademy.com\)](#) Public examinations begin on Tuesday 7 May. Ofqual's student guide to summer 2024 exams can be found here: [Ofqual Student Guide 2024 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

Year 11 Study Leave

Year 11 must attend the academy and follow their normal timetable until Friday 24 May. This is because they still have 14 exams after the May half term. Keeping to their normal routine will help to maintain a healthy sleep pattern and ensure students have teacher input as close as possible to their exams. There will not be any exemptions made.

From Monday 3 June (after May half term), students can either come into the academy just for their exams, or come in for the full day and follow their normal timetable to have access to rooms for revision and specialist teacher support.

If students have a morning exam, they must come through the Laura Place Road gate by 8.40am. If students have an afternoon exam, they must come through the Laura Place Road gate between 1-1.10pm. Afternoon exams begin at 1.30pm. In all cases, students must 'SIGN-IN' using the register at Main Reception. Students must be in full school uniform.



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Year 11 Celebration Event

The Year 11 Celebration Event will be on Thursday 4 July in Nightingale Hall. This will be a chance for students to celebrate their achievements over the past two years. More details, including timings, to follow.

Results day 2024 and CGA 6th Form enrolment

Year 11 results day is Thursday 22 August 2024. Mr Bradbury will put in place arrangements for students who are unable to come in person to collect their results. Sixth form enrolment will also take place this day. If students are away, they will need to enroll online to secure their place. More details to follow.

Year 11 'have got this'!

I know that for many Year 11 students and families, the Spring Holidays can be an anxious time. Firstly, parents should know that CGA is very confident about the preparation Year 11 students have put into their upcoming GCSE examinations. Three sets of Pre-Public Exams (PPEs) since July 2023, and lots of hard work by students and teachers, mean Year 11 should look toward their exams with optimism.

Secondly, parents and students should know there is a variety of resources on the CGA exam support webpage to refer to at any time should some guidance be needed. Recent school assemblies have focused on the importance of using the Spring Term holidays both for student wellbeing, and as a time for 'chipping away' at revision.

Kind regards

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