

# St. Martin-in-the-Fields High School for Girls

and Sixth Form (co-ed)



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Dear Families

## Re. Formal examinations for Year 7, 8, 9 and 10

You may be aware that the government has introduced new more rigorous GCSE examinations which will come into effect from this year and which will affect your daughter. Exams will be longer and there will be no coursework or controlled assessments. A student's grade will be calculated solely based on her performance in the final examination.

In order to support your daughter with preparation for these new tougher standards; we will be repeating the formal exams for Years 7, 8 and 9 that we introduced last summer. This is in order for students to get used to working under exam conditions and to develop their exam and revision skills. The results of the examinations will also provide us with the opportunity to put intervention and support in place now for any students who underachieve. This will ensure success when they reach Year 11.

Examinations will take place in the main hall for all subjects except practical subjects such as Drama.

In order for you to support your daughter in preparing for these examinations please find enclosed a revision booklet which provides advice and strategies on effective revision; and your daughter's timetable. Please check the school website next week where checklists of topics that will be examined will be published. Your daughter may have already received this in her lessons.

If you have any questions about the examinations your first point of contact is your daughter form tutor or Progress leader.

Yours sincerely

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