



Year 11 Exam information 2025-2026

Key dates

First GCSE exam: 7 May 2026 (on JCQ common timetable)

Last GCSE exam: 17 June 2026 (on JCQ common timetable)

Contingency day: 24 June 2026 (see Contingency planning)

Results day: 20 August 2026

Exam Information

The following are available on the school website (Students and Staff, Exams or Parents and Carers, Exams)

Exam guidance for students and parents 2025 – 2026

Information for candidates written examinations

Information for candidates' non-examination assessments

GCSE Exam timetable 2026

plus other exam related information

Exam timings

Morning exams start at 9:00 am – candidates must be in school by 8:40 am at the latest.

Afternoon exams start at 2:00 pm – candidates must be in school by 1:45 pm at the latest.

Please note some afternoon exams may finish after 3:00 pm therefore candidates will need to make alternative arrangements to get home if they normally use school transport.

Exam equipment

Candidates are responsible for bringing their own equipment in a clear pencil case or plastic bag, such as: -

- Pens
- Pencils (and colouring pencils if applicable to the subject)
- Ruler, protractor, compass and other maths equipment
- Calculator

Water is allowed in a clear plastic bottle with no labels or writing on. Stainless steel/patterned bottles are **not** allowed.

The following items are not allowed in the exam room: -

- Mobile phones
- Watches of any description, including Fitbits and other sports type watches
- iPods/MP3/MP4 players or similar device
- Calculator lids and cases
- Glasses cases
- Air buds/Earphones
- Any smart device

Possession of any of these in the exam room is malpractice and the candidate could face disqualification.



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Contingency planning

In the event of national or local disruption to examinations, JCQ and the examination boards have agreed a designated “contingency afternoon and day”.

Candidates must remain available until Wednesday 24 June 2026 should an awarding body need to invoke its contingency plan.

Results day – Thursday 20 August 2026

Results will be available for collection by the candidate from 9:30 am.

If the candidate is unable to collect their results themselves, they can either: -

- Provide a first class stamped, addressed envelope for their results to be posted out to them
- Authorise someone else to collect them on their behalf by providing them with a letter of authority to do so and advising the exams officer who will be collecting. The person collecting should also have photographic ID.

Results not collected will be posted, second class, to the address we have on our records

Under no circumstances will results be telephoned to the candidate

Members of staff will be available to discuss results and answer queries.

Student and parent contact details

Before the start of the exams, Year 11's will be asked to complete a form giving their own mobile number and email address, home address and parent contact details. We may need to get in touch with them during the exams, or afterwards regarding their results.

They will also be asked to confirm whether or not the school is allowed to discuss their results with their parents. The form will be confidentially destroyed after their certificates have been collected.

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