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Dear Parent

### Summer Exam final preparations

We are now in the closing straight towards the May/June exam series. For those sitting external exams this summer, below are some final general reminders to help ensure your child is fully prepared for the coming months.

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#### Equipment

One of the best ways to ensure your child is in the right 'mind set' when he enters the exam room is for him to be well equipped so this doesn't become a worry. He should have the following with him:

- Black pen (plus spare)
  - Pencil
  - Rubber
  - Ruler
  - Compass
  - Protractor
  - Clear pencil case (so contents can easily be seen)
  - Clear water bottle
  - Scientific calculator (if required) – *for example the Casio FX-83 GT Plus*
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#### Exam timetables and other arrangements

Students will have already received by email their current exam timetable for the summer. There is also a master version available on our school website along with other information (the direct link is below).

<http://ntc.kent.sch.uk/policies-and-information/examination-information-for-parents-and-students/>

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## Revision resources

Our new *NTC Revision Launch Pad* is continuing to grow, with further resources being added all the time. It has many top tips to help and support students in the run up to their exams, so have a look together and take from it what you both feel will be most useful, there is no right way to revise! In addition to this, do please contact your child's teacher via email if you need any more support as they will be happy to guide you as needed.

<https://sites.google.com/ntc.kent.sch.uk/revision-launch-pad/home>

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## Stress!

We all get stressed when the pressure is on, we all have different ways of dealing with it (some more effective than others) and we all show when it is getting too much in different ways. The trick is that we all keep talking, that means students, friends, teachers and parents.

If you have any concerns, or just need some advice on how to support your child at this time, then do please contact their Learning Coach or Progress Manager (listed below) in the first instance.

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I hope this is a useful and timely reminder of the support that is available and how your child can best prepare himself.

One final tip, a good night's sleep and some breakfast on the morning of an exam is always good for the brain, but definitely no sugary drinks (particularly energy drinks) as they make the mind race and it becomes harder to concentrate when you need it the most.

I wish all our students every success in the coming months.

Yours sincerely



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