



# Brine Leas Sixth Form

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7th June 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: Year 12 End of Year Examinations

As you may be aware, the most recent government reforms to A Levels means that the previous AS/A2 course structure is no longer applicable and sixth form students now sit all of their external examinations at the end of Year 13.

BL6 have scheduled end of year examinations for Year 12 students, as detailed on the BL6 calendar, to take place from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July to Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2018. These examinations are internal and will not contribute to your son/daughters' final A Level grade. However, they are extremely important in giving an accurate indicator of their progress so far.

Furthermore, early in Year 13, subject staff will be asked to provide a realistic predicted grade for Apprenticeship/UCAS application purposes and the results from the Year 12 end of year examinations will influence their decisions.

With the newly linear A Level courses being examined only at the end of the 2 year period of study, it is crucial that students treat internal examinations seriously and revise for them thoroughly. There are limited opportunities in the school calendar for formal examination practice and these examinations, along with mock examinations in Year 13, are extremely important for helping students practice their examination techniques in order to achieve the best possible outcomes by the end of their courses.

Any student whose results in these examinations are severely below their targets may be required to resit in early September 2018, in order to demonstrate they have taken appropriate action over the summer holiday period to try and improve in the applicable subjects/areas.

Please be advised that during this examination period, students must not arrange non-essential appointments or activities during the school day to avoid clashing with examinations. In the event of any unavoidable scheduled absences, please contact Mrs Bailey or Mr Garnham to discuss further.

Yours faithfully

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