

# Ysgol Harri Tudur Henry Tudor School

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Dear Parent/Guardian/ Carers,

## Re: GCSE Examination Fees and a few reminders

We are halfway through the academic year and only a few months away from our Year 11 learners completing their GCSE and other public examinations with us and our Year 10 learners sitting formal GCSE examinations in some subjects.

Please be aware that it costs over £400 per learner to be entered for their formal examinations. These are fixed costs applied by the awarding examination boards. We cannot afford to waste any school funds. Therefore, I have to inform you that failure of a learner to attend any of their examinations will result in the cost of that exam falling to parents/guardians to pay in full.

I hope you will fully support us in this and do everything you can to ensure that your child attends every exam they are entered in. I am also including a summarised list of the JCQ Rules and Regulations in regard to examinations.

If you are concerned about your child during this vital year, please contact me and I will do my utmost to support you in every which way I can.

GCSE Examination Results will be published on **Thursday 22nd August 2024**.

## Revision Tips

Revision tips are available within our Y11 Revision Site on our main school website [www.yht.wales](http://www.yht.wales) . Please support your child to prepare properly so that they can do their best.

## Year 11 Revision Support

<https://sites.google.com/yht.wales/year11revisiontips/home>

A reminder that **GCSEpod** is an excellent place for learners to do some quick bursts of revision and ideal for those who struggle to revise for long. GCSE Pod can be accessed through

<https://www.gcsepod.com/>

Most departments are putting links directly in google classrooms as well.



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## Class Charts

We use Class Charts to monitor behaviour and set homework. If you have not had 'login' details please contact your child's mentor so that they can email details to you.

Finally, assessment at GCSE is an on-going process. In many subjects, learners will have already started coursework / controlled assessments that will form part of the final overall GCSE or other awarding body grading.

There is clear evidence to link school attendance and educational achievement. Learners with high levels of attendance **consistently** achieve higher results than those whose attendance is low.

Please make every effort to ensure your child's attendance rate is 95%+ for the remainder of the year. It will make a difference.

Please do contact me if you have any questions regarding the next six months.

Yours sincerely,

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## Rules and regulations for all examinations

- You cannot take into the exam room notes, iPods, mobile phones, MP3/4 player, headphones/airpods and **new last year is watches** (If there is a specific reason for a watch e.g. diabetic pupil uses it to monitor bloods, this will be allowed as approved by Mrs A. Andrews.)
- Mobile phones, devices and watches are either left in a locker etc. or put in a signed envelope at the door.
- You also cannot take in coats / bags / items of non-uniform or leave them immediately outside the exam room. Plan ahead to arrange a locker or perhaps ask your mentor.
- Any pencil cases in the room must be transparent (clear and see-through)
- Do not use correction pens, fluid or tape, erasable pens, gel pens. Highlighters may not be used for answers, although highlighters can be used to highlight parts of questions.
- Do not communicate with or disturb other candidates, put up your hand and an invigilator will come to you if you have a problem.
- Do not write inappropriate, obscene or offensive material on the paper or answer booklet.
- You must not leave the exam room before the exam has finished unless accompanied by an invigilator.
- You must not borrow anything from another candidate during the exam.
- You will not be admitted into an exam if you arrive more than 1 hour after the start time.
- Only take the equipment you will need for the exam into the venue. You must bring your own equipment, there will be nothing for you to borrow.
- You must write in black ink. Pencils and coloured pencils may be used for diagrams, maps etc.
- You may use a calculator unless the paper specifies you can't. (Clear stored material; covers and lids should be left out of the exam room; do not bring in the booklet of instructions.)
- Listen to the invigilators at all times. Tell the invigilator if you think you have the wrong paper.
- Do not fill in the front cover of the paper or write anything until you are directed to do so.
- Do any rough work on your exam paper, you may not have plain paper. Cross through it if you don't want it marked and hand it in with your answers.
- If you want to bring in a bottle of water, it must be a clear bottle with no label, pictures or decoration on the bottle. No other forms of drink or food are allowed.
- We are expecting excellent behaviour – anyone who disturbs an exam with unacceptable behaviour will be removed from the room.



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