



HEANOR GATE SCIENCE COLLEGE

“Develop all learners to achieve their full potential”
“Create a culture of aspiration”

Principal: **Mr S Huntington**



June 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

Firstly, I would like to say how pleasing it was to see so many of you in attendance at the Parent’s Evening prior to half term. I would also like to share how delighted I am with how students have conducted themselves in their first week of Year 11 – we are very proud of how quickly they have adapted to the new routines and the way they approached their studies in a mature manner.

Formal Assessment Update

I am also writing to inform you that Year 11 will have a fortnight of Formal Assessments commencing on Tuesday 22 June 2021. We want these assessments and the time leading up to these to be taken seriously and ensure our students are fully prepared, giving them the greatest opportunity to demonstrate exactly what they are capable of. The assessments are going to give students their first taste of formal exams and some of these will be conducted in the hall. They will also help inform both students and teachers of areas of strengths and places they need to develop, as we continue our journey through Year 11. Prior to the Core Subject Assessments detailed below, option subject assessments will be held in class between 22-24 June; more detailed information regarding the option assessment will be shared with students next week.

Please see the core subject timetable below which details Formal Assessments to be held in the hall:

Date	Morning Assessments	Afternoon Assessments
Monday 28 June	English Language - 1 hour 45 minutes Paper 2 Writers' viewpoints and perspectives	
Tuesday 29 June	English Literature - 50 minutes Paper 2 (partial paper) An Inspector Calls (play)	Physics (combined science students - 1 hour and 15 minutes/separate science students - 1 hour 45 minutes)
Wednesday 30 June	History - 1 hour and 15 minutes - Medicine Through Time Geography - Paper 1 and Paper 2 combined - 1 hour and 30 minutes	

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Thursday 1 July	Science Trilogy or Biology (combined science students - 1 hour and 15 minutes/separate science students - 1 hour 45 minutes)	Chemistry (combined science students - 1 hour and 15 minutes/separate science students - 1 hour 45 minutes)
Friday 2 July	Mathematics Paper 1 is non-calculator (35 mins) Paper 2 is calculator (1 hour 10 minutes)	

During the assessment period the timings of the school day will remain the same, but tutor time will be dedicated to help prepare students for the exam that day. A great deal of planning has been put in place to ensure that our students are able to perform well in during this time period, but we have also been careful not to overload them, with the vast majority of students only having one assessment per day.

Intervention Support

In order to help your child maximise their potential we are giving students an opportunity to attend a subject masterclass. These sessions, starting from Monday 14 June, will be open to all. In addition to this, some individuals will also be specifically invited to attend a session to help them achieve their potential. If this is the case these sessions are compulsory as they have been planned with individuals in mind. All sessions will run for an hour after school.

Please find a timetable below listing the days on which subject will be running a masterclasses:

Date	Masterclass
Monday	Maths
Tuesday	English (<i>by invitation only</i>) Art
Wednesday	Science
Thursday	History and Geography Engineering Photography

To help students target their revision please find links below to key topics that will appear in the test:-

Science trilogy - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1n_mlkSc2dguSG2qlau9WOoh-eQBGXZgJi3zpWCTbyLI/edit?usp=sharing

Maths foundation - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/19MCU-OdXyhFRJzYQwZhBH1n-2uUnfX2Q3SpT7TYlqOs/edit?usp=sharing>

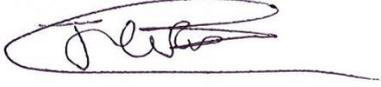
Maths higher - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1OTNbAactBvYffrg3KS_mviad0fIHVsLWo1-Cin4S0IU/edit?usp=sharing

History - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1QdRRLiJYD9uWCrswdaUBFOfwJGBJZtSiNAwgpTYpb8/edit?usp=sharing>

Geography- <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1LTXVUWYwrykULxDjIH3K4NwlvxoWfayLfHnzmtTmZSo/edit?usp=sharing>

Finally, I would like to thank you for your continued support with the year group and I look forward to seeing the students continue building on the positive start they have made.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Wright', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mr J Wright
Year 11 Achievement Leader