



## Study Leave

Dear Parent / Carer,

We are writing to inform you that **students will be granted Study Leave with effect from Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May**, after their Physics and Combined Science exam. Students completing Computer Science will remain in school for their afternoon exam on this date.

We recognise the pressures on our students at this time and wish to support them to develop healthy, independent study habits that will support their well-being and mental health. This means that:

- **During Periods where students have completed the coursework and exams for that subject, they may revise at home for their upcoming exams.**
- **For those subjects where students have not yet completed their exams, students must attend timetabled lessons in school as normal until they have sat their exam for that subject.**
- **Students must attend all pre-exam 'top tips' sessions for morning exams which start at 9.00 AM at 8:00 A.M and Period 3 revision (11.15) for exams being sat in the afternoon.**

The final lessons of any course are vital in preparing students for their exams. These lessons enable staff to reinforce the main aspects of the course content and also to clarify any misconceptions that may have arisen in students' final revision schedule.

We will inform all students of the decision and discuss the expectations for the remaining exams (punctuality and behaviour standards being imperative) in order to ensure our students, continue to work hard to complete their GCSE examinations and continue to represent the academy in a positive manner. Attendance to the prom and our leavers assembly will be in question if students fail to maintain these high standards.

**Students are required to sign in and out of school** when they arrive for lessons or for examinations by reporting to Student Reception. All students must be in **full St Thomas More uniform**, bringing with them the necessary equipment and revision resources. Once completed, students are expected to leave the school premises and go home unless they have timetabled lessons, revision or exams. Students should not be out in the Buxton community. Our local PCSO has been informed of the decision and will continue to monitor Students' behaviour in the community.

*Should there be any concerns regarding attendance to lessons/ exams or failure to revise at home, Study Leave will be revoked.*

## Leavers Assembly

On Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June, at 11:25 Year 11 students are invited to attend a final leavers celebration assembly, marking the end of their STM journey. The assembly will take place in the main hall and is an opportunity for students to reflect on their time at St Thomas More. Students are required to wear full school uniform for the assembly. Following the assembly Year 11 students will be dismissed at 12:00 and are expected to leave site.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish Students continued success in their exams. We are confident that Year 11 will bring in fantastic results from their work at St Thomas More that will demonstrate their commitment and drive for success.

Should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me at [slancett@stm.srscmat.co.uk](mailto:slancett@stm.srscmat.co.uk) Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Sarah Lancett (Acting Head of School)





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