

Friday 18th May 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

As you know, your child will be sitting their GCSE English Literature exams next week. I would like to take this opportunity to wish them the very best of luck and urge them just to do their best and take confidence from all their very hard work over recent months. Whilst it is a GCSE exam, and therefore of high importance, we urge a sense of perspective and would like to remind students that if their exam doesn't quite go to plan, there will be the opportunity to retake the English Literature GCSE at the end of Year 11 if they so wish.

Whilst Year 11 are sitting the same GCSE English Literature exams, Year 10 will do some final revision with their English teacher in the rooms detailed below. During this time, students will be required to hand in their phones and any smart watches which will be stored safely until after their exam, when they will be returned to them, although it would be preferable if students left these items at home on exam days.

10X1A – Miss Tomkins (A117)	10Y1A – Mrs Culver (A121)
10X1B – Ms Peach (A208)	10Y1B – Mr Dobson (A211)
10X2A – Mrs Cawley (A206)	10Y2A – Mrs Feast (A210)
10X2B – Ms Lorenzelli (A204)	10Y2B – Miss Jones (A120)
10X3A – Ms Garvey (A114)	10Y3A – Miss Drummond (A119)
10X3C – Mrs Mills (A113)	10Y3B – Mrs Crossan (A118)

Those Year 10 students with Access Arrangements who are sitting their exam with Year 11, will have a break after their exam, and then go to A113 where they will have a supervised study period with a member of staff whilst the remainder of the year group sit their exam. These students should bring with them either homework, study materials or a reading book.

Students have had an assembly detailing exam arrangements as well as final tips for English revision from the Head of English, Miss Jones, and hopefully you have had chance to read through this carefully with your child which can be found in the Parent Communications section of the school website. Please remind your child to check which exam room and seat number they are in for their exams so that they go to the correct venue.

We understand the Sports Hall can be quite warm, particularly at this time of year, and as such (and in line with Year 11 during their exams), students may wear to their exam either their school uniform or their Lymm

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High School PE kit, or a combination of both so that they feel as comfortable as possible. Students must bring with them to each exam, their photo ID card, and have this ready on the way in, as well as 2 or 3 black pens.

The knowledge organisers, essay grids and revision packs will continue to be invaluable resources over the next few days in students' final preparations. If your child needs any additional support, please contact their English teacher.

You will know your own child best and how to get the right balance between ensuring they stay relaxed whilst also putting the necessary time and effort into revising over the final few days. It is really important that they have an early night, plenty of sleep and some breakfast in the morning of each exam so they are rested and fuelled to be able to do as well as they can. Again, we wish all our students the very best of luck next week.

If you have any queries about the exam arrangements for Year 10, please contact Head of Year 10, Mrs C Worrall (<u>cworrall@lymmhigh.org.uk</u>).

Yours faithfully

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