

March 2023

Dear Y12 Students, Parents and Carers,

All Year 12 students will be sitting some form of major examination this summer. This might be an internal Progression Exam (almost all A level courses) or a real external examination that contributes to final grades (almost all BTEC courses). Because of the importance of these exams, this letter sets out many of the formal arrangements and provides detailed information that students and parents need to be aware of.

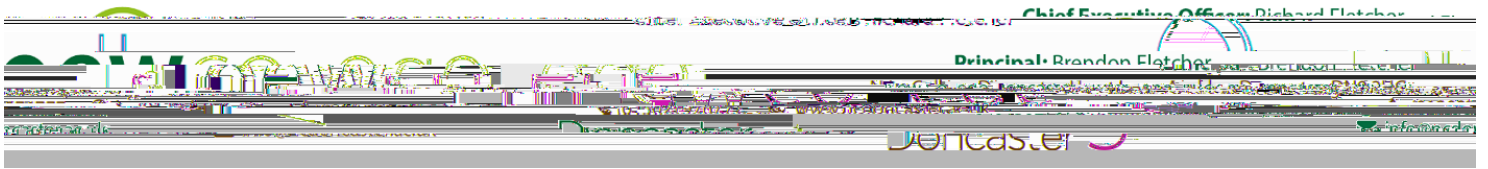
Year 12 Progression Exams are taking place from Friday 5 May through to Friday 12 May. Progression Exams are running slightly earlier than in previous years. Progression Exams are formal exams towards the end of the year that take place in the sports hall.

The purpose of Progression Exams is to check each student's readiness to progress to a second year of study at New College Doncaster. They also provide a valuable opportunity to practise formal exams similar to ones students will sit in Year 13, and help to reinforce learning.

Students should continue to attend timetabled lessons throughout the week of Progression Exams, except at the specific times they are sitting a Progression Exam. This arrangement replicates what will happen when students sit mock exams in Year 13. Teachers will not deliver new subject content in lessons but will deliver revision and consolidation lessons throughout the week.

Please note that college will be closed on Friday 12 May. If students have timetabled lessons on this day teachers will set independent work to complete. Teachers will return papers and grades as soon as they are reasonably able, once they have marked all their scripts and once quality assurance systems have taken place across our three colleges. Students can expect that teachers will return to papers and grades by Thursday 25 May, but in many cases sooner.





You can take in a bottle of water, but it must have no labels and must be fully transparent with no



permitted to continue their studies in Year 13. If a student is permitted to continue into Year 13, they should expect disciplinary action to be taken and to be issued with a bill to cover the cost of the exam they have missed.

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Courses that will have Fri 5 May and Fri 12 May)	(between	Courses that will have (between Tue 2 May and Wed 14 June <i>with contingency sessions on 8, 15 and 28 June. Students should be available for exams up and including 28 June)</i>)
<p>Accounting Biology Business Studies Chemistry Computer Science Economics English Language English Language & Literature English Literature Geography History Law Maths Media Studies Physical Education Physics Politics Psychology Religious Studies Sociology Spanish</p> <p>Creative Media</p>		<p>BTEC Applied Law (PEARSON) BTEC Applied Human Biology (PEARSON) BTEC Business (PEARSON) BTEC Health and Social Care – Certificate, Diploma and Extended Diploma (PEARSON) BTEC Sport - Certificate, Diploma and Extended Diploma (PEARSON) BTEC Dance (PEARSON) BTEC Applied Science (PEARSON) BTEC Creative Media (PEARSON) BTEC Uniformed Protective Services – Certificate and Extended Diploma (PEARSON) WJEC Criminology (EDUQAS) IT (OCR) BTEC Applied Psychology (PEARSON)* BTEC Music (PEARSON)*</p> <p>GCSE English Language GCSE Mathematics</p> <p><i>* For students resitting a January exam only</i></p>