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Dear families

I hope you and your loved ones are well. I know you have been working incredibly hard to support your child as they enter their final stages of year 11 at Dixons Fazakerley Academy and we are extremely grateful for the continued help that you are offering them.

I am writing to you with regards your child's summer examinations starting in May. I was delighted with the attitudes and efforts of the vast majority of students during our recent second set of mock exams and I am sure that the improved grades from the first set of mock exams will be replicated once again in the summer.

I wanted to take this opportunity to reinforce our expectations of all students in every examination:

- Students must arrive on time to their pre-exam revision session. These sessions form vital preparation for each exam as subject experts will remind students of key exam techniques and core knowledge essential for success.
- Mobile phones must be switched off and in students' bags when they are in the exam hall / room. Any student found with a mobile phone on their person will not just put that exam in jeopardy but, potentially, every exam that they sit in the summer.
- Students must not communicate in any way with any other student in the exam hall / room. Again, a student found doing so will be putting every exam they sit in jeopardy.
- You and your child will be informed of any special arrangements that we have put in place for them – this could involve extra time, a scribe or sitting the exam in a separate room. All students who do not have such special arrangements must sit their exam in the allocated space in the academy.

I am sure you will agree that effective exam procedures are an essential part of supporting all students in achieving their potential and leaving Dixons Fazakerley Academy with grades they are proud of and ones that will allow them to access their desired next steps and, ultimately, happy and successful futures.

I would very much appreciate it if you could take the time to remind your child of the expectations set out above as we work together towards a joyous and successful GCSE results day on Thursday 24 August.

Again, I would like to reiterate how grateful we are for the fantastic support you are giving to your child at this most crucial time. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or queries regarding the exams via the following email address jollerton@dixonsfa.com

Yours faithfully

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