

Friday, January 24, 2020

## YEAR 9 CHECKPOINT EXAMS

06 – 09 April, 2020

Dear Parents,

This letter is intended to confirm the dates for the upcoming Year 9 Checkpoint exams for this academic year.

The Checkpoint exams are designed by Cambridge University for all students in Year 9 to test their abilities in English, mathematics, and science. The students will be informed about the structure of the tests in class with sufficient in-class practice allocated to ensure they are each able to perform at their best in the exams. The exams are graded by Cambridge and results are sent to our school in early June.

**Please be aware that the grades achieved in these exams have no impact on universities applications. Universities do not have access to these grades and they are not requested when submitting university applications.** The results from these tests will be used by staff at IBSB to help identify each student's strengths and weaknesses, and provide an early prediction of performance for future IGCSE examinations.

**Parents will receive an invoice for the cost of these examinations in the coming weeks.**

The grades for the Checkpoint exams are different than the Key Stage 3 Levels. All the Checkpoint exams will be marked with grades from 1 to 6 (6 being the highest grade possible and predicting an A/A\* at the IGCSE level). The time frame for these exams is set by Cambridge University:

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Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020

<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April:</b>	<b>09:45 P2</b>	Science 1 (AM)	
	<b>13:45 P5</b>	<i>Lunch</i> Maths 1 non-calculator (PM)	
<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>09:45 P2</b>	Science 2 (AM)	
	<b>13:45 P5</b>	<i>Lunch</i> <b>English 1 (PM)</b>	
<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April:</b>	<b>09:45 P2</b>	Maths 2, calculator (AM)	
	<b>13:45 P4</b>	<i>Lunch</i> English 2 (PM)	
<b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April:</b>	<b>09:45 P2</b>	English 3 ( <u>Eng 2<sup>nd</sup> Lang ONLY</u> )	

If you have any questions, please contact the office.

Kind regards,

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