Students at the College sit the majority of their GCSE exams at the end of Year 12. Students will be entered by their teacher and receive an individual examination timetable before Easter.

Coursework/Controlled Assessment

A number of subjects have a Controlled Assessment component at GCSE level. In order to maximise the opportunity of improving your grade it is important you complete all work within the deadline set by your teachers. Before you submit any Controlled Assessments you will be asked to sign an authentication statement confirming that you have read and followed the Controlled Assessment regulations.

Tier of Entry

At GCSE level a number of subjects have different tiers of entry. There are normally only two levels Foundation and Higher. Language subjects are slightly different in that a student may be entered for the foundation tier in one component, for e.g. in the written paper and Higher tier in the speaking test. Based on your performance throughout the course your teacher will recommend you for a particular tier of entry. If you wish to deviate from this, written permission from a parent/ guardian will be required.

Fees

Students should note that the College pays the fees the first time they sit their exams. If a student fails to turn up for an exam, the College will still be expected to pay for that exam. It is important therefore that candidates inform the school if they are unable to sit an exam. Students will be asked to provide medical evidence to explain their absence. If a doctor's letter is not provided, the student will be required to pay the exam fee.

Re-sits

Students wishing to re-sit a GCSE module can do so but only once. Modules available in November 2023 are Maths, English Language and Double Award Science. Modules available in March are GCSE Double Award Science. All GCSE modules are available in June 2024. Forms are available from the College Reception and Website. Please be aware that re-sits will incur charges and have deadlines respectively.

Results

November 2023 GCSE module results will be distributed to pupils in the College on Thursday, 1st February 2024. March 2024 GCSE module results will be distributed to pupils in the College on Thursday, 18th April 2024. Summer 2024 GCSE module results will be available for collection in the College Hall from 8.30am - 10.00am on Thursday, 22nd August 2024.

Post Results Services

The College offers various Post Results Services. Full details available with results.

AT NO TIME DURING THE EXAMS SHOULD STUDENTS HAVE A MOBILE PHONE OR ANY OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICE WITH THEM IN THE HALL. EVEN IF SWITCHED OFF. POSSESSION OF UNAUTHORISED ITEMS COULD RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION FROM THE CURRENT EXAM AND OVERALL QUALIFICATION. ALL EXAMS UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED ARE TO BE COMPLETED IN BLACK INK. USE OF GEL PENS IS PROHIBITTED.