

Year 11 exam season 2025

Do Now:

How many hours left of school this half-term?

How many days long is the Easter break?

How many days after the half-term break until GCSEs begin?

What happens after the May half-term break?

Why is it different to normal school?

Excellence
Responsibility
Respect

End of Year 11 arrangements 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

This week students will have an assembly outlining the last months in school.

All students are now fully aware that they have just 3 normal weeks before their GCSEs begin.

It is absolutely essential that students spend their time wisely and continue with all of these good habits:

- Attend school and all lessons promptly
- Complete Extended Learning to the best of their ability
- Attend Intervention
- Stick to their revision plan
- Ask for help if they are stuck

In the assembly we will reiterate that the next few months will be both busy and exciting. Students have and will continue to receive their February/ March mock results. The feedback they receive from these will support them in preparing for the Summer exams.

All of the slides from the assembly are here <https://www.lealands.luton.sch.uk/year-11>

All students have received their Statement of Entries which tells them exactly which exam they have when. We need you and students to check this carefully: please check that names are spelt correctly and that the correct tier (Foundation or Higher e.g. Maths) for each exam is shown.

The full list of exams for all courses can be found here: <https://www.lealands.luton.sch.uk/exams>

We explained that from now until the May half-term it is *business as usual*. Students attend their normal lessons unless they have a GCSE exam or a *Masterclass* immediately before that exam.

The last exam before the half-term break is English Language 1 on Friday 23rd May. This exam will finish around 11:00am. Students are then welcome to go home and enjoy a well deserved early start to their half-term break, if they wish. Equally, if students wish to stay for their normal timetabled lessons that day they are most welcome to continue with these until the end of the normal school day (3:20pm). Students staying will need to remain for the full day unless signed out for safeguarding purposes

After the May half-term, students will only be required for their exams and their *Masterclasses* to support them in exams. *Masterclasses* are lessons just before exams to support students with last minute hints and tips and to reassure and support students ahead of exams. The timetable for this will be finalised and shared in April.

Most students will not be required to attend school on Monday 2nd June; only those who have exams in Italian, Urdu or Japanese will need to attend.

On Tuesday 3rd June, all students should attend the first Master class, which will be for Mathematics Paper 2 ahead of their exam the following morning. Students should arrive at school after 11:00am but before 11:25am. The Master class will take place 11:27 am-1:00pm.

On Wednesday 4th June all students have their Mathematics Paper 2 exam. As always, students should arrive before 8:55am, however, they are actively encouraged to attend early from 8:00am where Miss Jones hosts students, every morning, studying in the Community Classroom.

After the GCSEs have concluded for all students, we look forward to welcoming them back on the afternoon of Thursday 19th June for Leavers' Assembly and Shirt Signing. It is a brilliant occasion and we look forward to seeing all of our wonderful students as they bid farewell to Lealands High School. Students know they must attend in full correct uniform for this assembly and for all masterclasses and examinations saving the shirt signing until after this assembly on 19th June.

Two weeks later, on Thursday 3rd July, we will see them once again for the Prom at the Luton Hoo Walled Garden! Tickets continue to be available via Scopay.

We understand that there are many key dates at this stage of Year 11 so I have tabulated them on the next page.

If you have any queries or concerns, please contact me.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Mason
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FIRST DRAFT

DATE		AM/PM	DURATION	BOA	PAPER	TITLE	Masterclass	
12/05/2025	Mon	PM	1h 30m	OCR	J277/01	Computer Science Paper 1	Mon 12/05/2025	11:27-1:00
19/05/2025	Mon	PM	1hr	OCR	J587/01	PE Paper 1: Physical Factors Aff	Mon 19/05/2025	11:27-1:00
20/05/2025	Tue	PM	1h 15m	OCR	R057/01	Child Development: Health and	Tue 20/05/2025	11:27-1:00
20/05/2025	Tue	PM	1h 30m	OCR	J277/02	Computer Science Paper 2	Tue 20/05/2025	11:27-1:00
20/05/2025	Tue	PM	1h 45m	AQA	8192/2	Sociology Paper 2	Tue 20/05/2025	11:27-1:00
21/05/2025	Wed	PM	1h 15m	OCR	R067/01	Enterprise & Marketing Concep	Wed 21/05/2025	11:27-1:00
04/06/2025	Wed	AM	1h 30m	Edexcel	1MA1/2F+H	Mathematics 2 : Calculator	Tue 03/06/2025	11:27-1:00
04/06/2025	Wed	PM	1h 15m	OCR	R032/01	Health & Social Care: Essential	Wed 04/06/2025	11:27-1:00
05/06/2025	Thu	AM	1h 50m	Edexcel	1H10 2J	History: American West, Anglo-	Wed 04/06/2025	11:27-1:00
05/06/2025	Thu	PM	1h	AQA	8658/WF	French Writing	Thu 05/06/2025	11:27-1:00
06/06/2025	Fri	AM	1h 45m	AQA	8700/2	English Language Unit 2: Write	Thu 05/06/2025	11:27-1:00
06/06/2025	Fri	PM	1h 30m	AQA	8035/2	Geography Paper 2	Fri 06/06/2025	11:27-1:00

Date (all 2025)	Event
Friday 4th April	Last day of half-term 4 (normal finish time)
Monday 7th April - Monday 21st April	Easter break
Tuesday 22nd April	First day of half-term 5
Thursday 8th May	First GCSE exam
Monday 12th May	First full-cohort GCSE exam (all students have English Literature Paper 1)
Friday 23rd May	<p>Last exam before half-term break.</p> <p>Students are allowed to leave after their exam (around 11:00am).</p> <p>If they wish to stay for normal lessons for the full rest of the day, they are most welcome</p>
Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May	Half-term break

Monday 2nd June	First day of half-term 6 Exams including Community Languages, most students will not need to attend school that day
Tuesday 3rd June	Exams including Community Languages. The first full cohort Masterclass Mathematics Paper 2 in preparation for the following day's exam (arrive between 11:00-11:25 am)
Wednesday 4th June	Full-cohort GCSE exam (all students have Mathematics Paper 2)
Monday 16th June	Last full-cohort GCSE exam (Physics 2). This will be the last exam for <i>some</i> students.
Wednesday 18th June	Last exam (Further Mathematics Paper 2)
Thursday 19th June	Leavers Assembly and Shirt Signing
Thursday 3rd July	Prom at Luton Hoo Walled Garden
Thursday 21st August	GCSE results day