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Dear Parent/Guardian

Advance Information for GCSE and A Level Examinations

On Monday 7 February the exam boards released the advance information ahead of the public examinations.

The purpose of the Advance Information is to communicate, ahead of the examinations, the focus of the content of the examinations (or part of the examinations) that will be assessed in the examination papers. As stated by DfE, the purpose of advance information is to support revision.

Advance Information can be found on the exam board websites, but has also been published to students via their subject teachers:

AQA:

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/2022-exam-changes>

Pearson

<https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/campaigns/summer-2022-support.html>

OCR

<https://www.ocr.org.uk/news/advance-information-for-summer-2022-exams-now-available/>

JCQ have published a helpful student FAQ guide, which can be found here:

https://www.jcq.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Students_AI_FAQs_Summer_2022.pdf?cldee=bWhhbm5leUBhcWEub3JnLnVr&recipientid=contact-31b6b4c66b3bea11a813000d3a49da6c-87ddaceb4ae949c1ab07f78ff581bfdb&esid=b27ffd7e-5284-ec11-8d21-000d3a4c0e00

From the guide I would like to bring your attention to the following point:

To support progression, and your best possible performance in the examinations, **you will want to revise everything you have been taught, but advance information will help highlight where to focus more specific revision. Some questions in the examinations, for example synoptic questions, will require knowledge beyond what is included in advance information. It is important to note that the advance information will not cover everything that is to be assessed. In many cases the advance information will provide listed topics of specification content (in specification order not in question paper order) that will be the main focus of assessment, but content that is not listed could still be assessed.** It is important therefore to ensure you have a good understanding of the specification content.

I hope that you find this a useful clarification of the role of advance information in the preparation for the summer examinations. Should you have any further queries regarding this, please contact your Head of Year.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A Morgan', with a small flourish at the end.

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