

THE JAMES YOUNG HIGH SCHOOL

S4/5/6 STUDY LEAVE & EXAM ARRANGEMENTS 2020

INFORMATION & GUIDELINES FOR PUPILS & PARENTS



This letters gives information on the following:

- Pupil entitlement to study days
- Immersion class opportunities – additional study opportunities prior to each exam
- Information on when we start our new timetable 2020-2021

This information is line with the West Lothian Council guidelines, the information below sets out The James Young High School arrangements for **Study Leave**.

- The dates for Study Leave are **Monday 27 April to Friday 29 May** (inclusive).
- **All S5/6 pupils** are able to take the **whole** study period. However, they are expected to attend the relevant **immersion classes**.
- **S4 pupils** who have **5 or 6 National 5 exams** are able to take the whole study leave period. However, they are expected to attend the relevant **immersion classes**.
- **S4 pupils** who have **4 National 5 exams** are able to take the whole study leave period but will be required to complete an employability research project during the time when they are not in school. This will be issued in due course. They are also expected to attend the relevant **immersion classes**.
- **S4 pupils** who have **3 or less National 5 exams**, including pupils studying only National 3 or National 4 courses, are required to attend **Summer School**. Please note, any pupil who has a National exam is entitled to take **two days** study leave before the exam as well as the day of the exam. They are also expected to attend the relevant **immersion classes**. The study leave days for your child will be outlined on their SQA Exam Timetable. Out with study days and immersion classes pupils should attend summer school.

Pupils are entitled to come in to school to study on study leave days but must sign in at the school office so that we are fully aware of who is in the building and must wear school uniform to ensure they are easily identifiable as pupils of our school.

Summer School is a programme of lessons, events and activities which, if completed successfully, will lead to an SQA Employability Award. It is an extremely valuable experience for our pupils and will help them gain employability skills and develop their awareness of the world of work. The programme will include activities to develop employability skills such as planning and organising an event. The Summer School programme will be delivered by a wide range of school staff along with local employers/outside agencies. More details will be provided directly to pupils before Easter.

Pupils who are expected to attend part or all of the Summer School will be contacted directly before the Easter holidays. Information will also be published on the school exam noticeboard in the dining hall for pupils to check.

New Timetable

All pupils returning for S5 & S6 with us should return to school for the start of the new timetable on Monday 1 June unless students have exams in Graphic Communication, Design & Management, Practical Woodwork, Media, Practical Cookery, Computing Science, Mandarin and Psychology, they should return to school the day after their exam.

Many thanks

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