



## QUEEN'S PARK HIGH SCHOOL

### Summer 2024 Exams – Contingency Days

The summer 2024 exams may seem like a long way off at the moment, but we wish to share some important information with you to avoid any possible issues next summer.

During the spring term, students will be given their individual exam timetables which will highlight when their final exam will take place. The summer written exam period will run from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May to Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2024. However, for the summer 2024 exam series, one “contingency” exam day and two afternoons have been arranged by the examination awarding bodies which all students need to be aware of. These contingency days for GCSE and/or A Level (or equivalent) examinations have been put in place “in the event of widespread, sustained national or local disruption to examinations during the June 2024 examination series.”

The decision comes following the tragic events of previous summers, namely the Manchester attacks and the Grenfell Tower fire. The Joint Council of Qualifications decided that they need the option to postpone an exam in the event of an incident and rearrange for a later date to allow all students a fair and equal chance.

The dates that have been set aside as the contingency days are **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June and Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2024 (afternoons only), and Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2024 (all day)**. This means that all exam candidates **must** be available to sit exams from the date of their first exam until **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2024**. This decision is not a school decision and applies to all candidates in all schools.

Please can all students/parents/carers make a note of the new contingency exam dates in the event that an awarding body needs to invoke its contingency plan.

Yours sincerely

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