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Dear Parent/Carer

This Friday 5th June, there is a large GCSE English exam taking place on site. This is the second of two English GCSE's taking place and the first one raised some issues for the Primary students, which we hadn't expected.

The length of the exam and the multiple rooms on site used, mean that we have to spend the morning completing activities which result in minimal noise, as opposed to our usual teaching which is more interactive and practical. We are also not able to go out for our morning breaktime. As a result, several children found the disruption to routine difficult to manage and found it quite distressing.

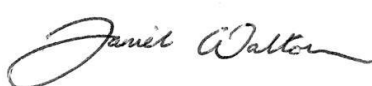
As a result of this, we are giving you the option to choose whether to send your child into school this Friday. You know your children best and if you feel they may struggle to manage the changes of routine on Friday, we will authorise the absence. We are happy to provide work to complete at home, if you would like it.

Please rest assured that this is a one off, due to the length of this exam and the fact that all rooms over the school have to be used, including those immediately connected to Primary.

If you will not be sending your child to school on Friday 5 June 2026, please advise the Attendance Team on 01454 862630 or attendance@pathwayslearningcentre.org by 10am on Thursday 4 June 2026.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely



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