

## Sir Thomas Fremantle School

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**From:** Sir Thomas Fremantle School  
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**To:** Sir Thomas Fremantle School  
**Subject:** GCSE Photography Exam

Dear Parents & Carers,

I am sure that you are aware that our students have started their photography exam process. The photography exam is like no other, I set the exam last Thursday (10th January), the exam consists of 7 themes to choose from. I have given the group lots of photographers to look at and pick from, to ensure every one selects something that inspires them. The students then have 10 weeks to respond to their chosen 'theme'. This includes researching photographers that link to the theme, emulating their work, creating our own ideas inspired by that work, and finally planning a final outcome. This final outcome is then completed inside a 10 hour exam, which myself and Kate Duckmanton invigilate.

Our key dates for the next ten weeks are as follows:

Mock day- 14th March (day off timetable)  
Exam Prep day- 21st March (day off timetable)  
Exam dates- 27th & 28th March (Inset day)

Due to the 10 week preparatory period we need to observe, the second exam day falls on a school INSET day. I have permission to run the exam on this day, and open up our department to the photography students. Due to it being an INSET day normal school transport will not run, and students will need to make their own way into school if they normally catch a bus. I apologise for any inconvenience this causes. Students will be able to access the canteen for food at break and lunch time if needed.

Following the completion of the exam on Thursday 28th March, students will have until Thursday 9th May to complete and improve any outstanding coursework from component 1.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

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