

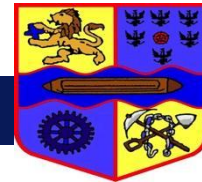


Year 11 Parents' Information Evening

Tony Goodman

Deputy Headteacher: Quality of Education

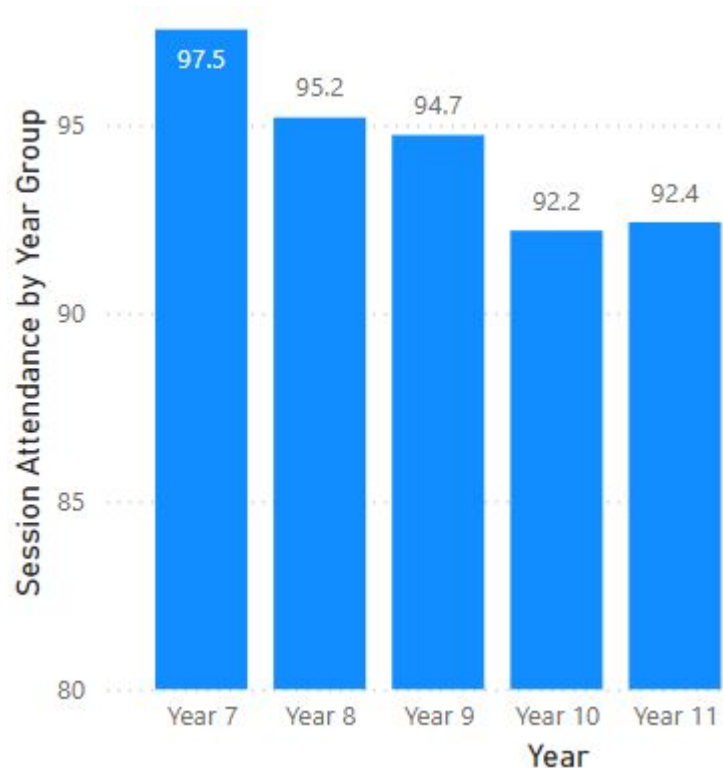


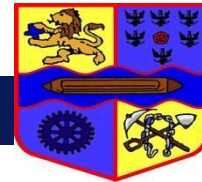


- key dates and deadlines
 - strategies to support home learning, including managing workload
- revision techniques
- subject specific information and guidance



ATTENDANCE





Attendance	P8
All	-0.05
99+	1.03
97+	0.69
95+	0.43
Less than 80%	-1.63

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Exam Anxieties



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Who's who?



Tony Goodman
Deputy Headteacher:
Quality of Education



Harry Lord
Assistant Headteacher:
Head of Upper School



Alan Mason
Head of Year 11



Alison Boden
KS4 Pastoral Manager



Richard Brennand
SENCO

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Who's who?



David Shaw
Curriculum Leader:
CBM



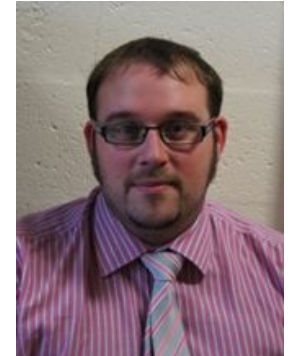
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Curriculum
Leader: DT



Kayley Verpoorten
Curriculum Leader:
English



Kevin Gibbs
Curriculum Leader:
Expressive Arts



Martin Cook
Curriculum Leader:
Humanities

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Who's who?



Pierce Sherrington
Curriculum Leader:
Maths



Holly Taylor
Curriculum Leader: MFL



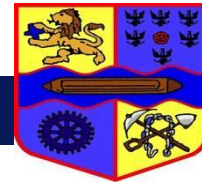
Wes Haworth
Curriculum
Leader: PE



Andy King
Curriculum
Leader: Science

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Key dates for the diary



Tuesday 21 October - Sixth Form Open Evening

W.B. Monday 24 November – Mock Exams (two weeks)

W.B. Monday 12 January 2025 - Reports home (including mock exam results)

Wednesday 14 January - Year 11 parents evening

W.B Monday 9 March - ‘Light touch’ assessments

W.B. Monday 20 April - Reports home (include light touch assessment results)

Thursday 7 May – Written GCSE exams start

Wednesday 24 June – Contingency day for GCSE exams (final day of exams)

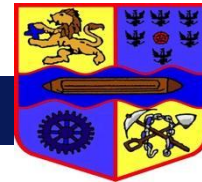
Thursday 20 August – GCSE results day

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Explaining GCSE grades



New grading structure	Current grading structure
9	A*
8	
7	
6	B
5	
4	
3	D
2	
1	
U	U



Exam Access Arrangements are pre-examination adjustments for candidates based on evidence of need and normal way of working. These include word processor, scribe, extra time etc.

The allocation of these arrangements follow strict guidance set out by the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ). If your child is eligible for these, they must use them for all recommended assessments.

Special consideration is given to a candidate who has temporarily experienced illness, injury or some other event outside of their control at the time of the assessment. It is applied when the issue or event has had, or is reasonably likely to have had, a material effect on a candidate's ability to take an assessment or demonstrate his or her normal level of attainment in an assessment.



Mrs Gail Hoban is our Careers Advisor

Gail works in school on Wednesdays
and Thursdays

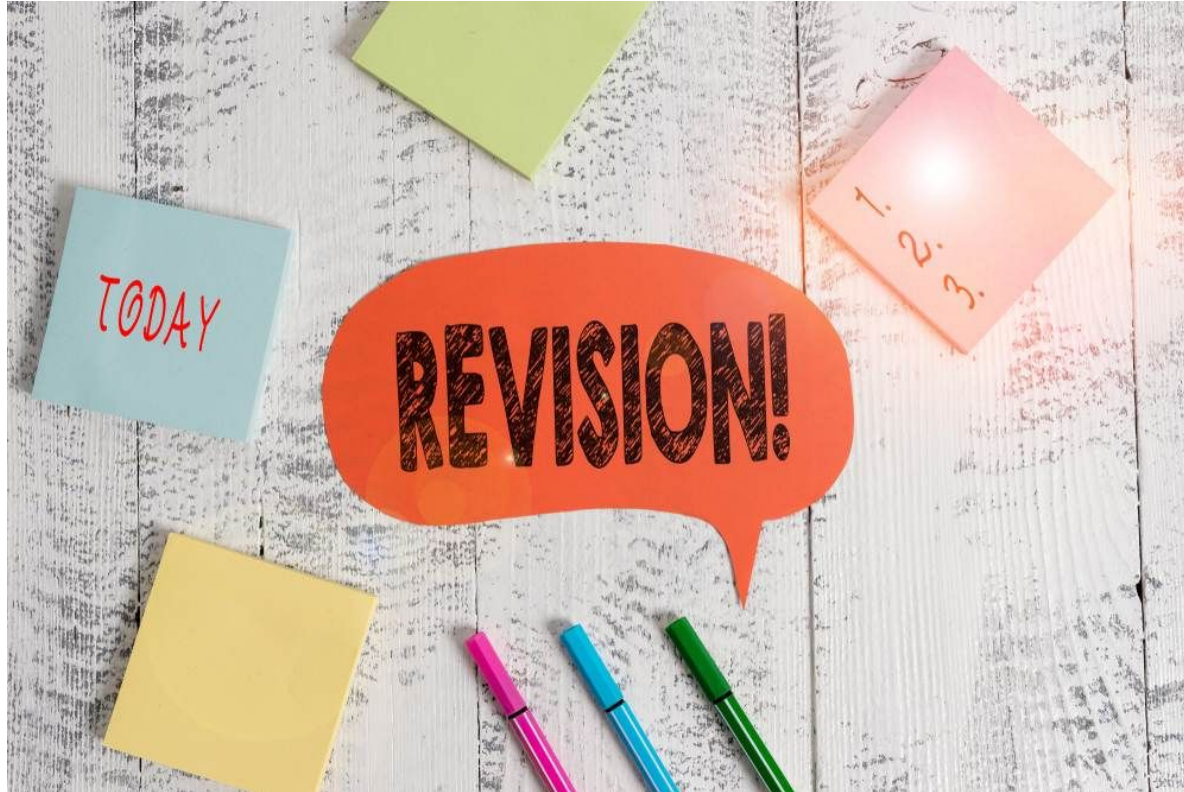
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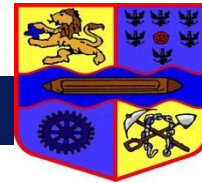
Students can request an appointment
via email or drop in during break times

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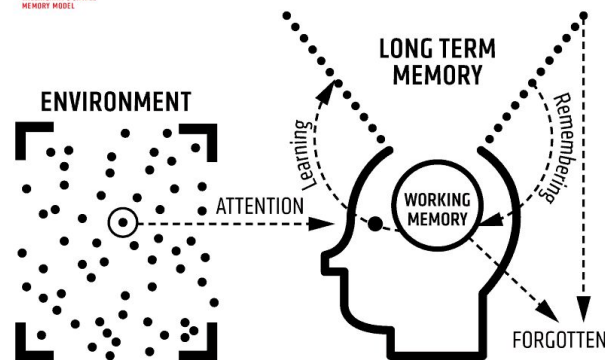
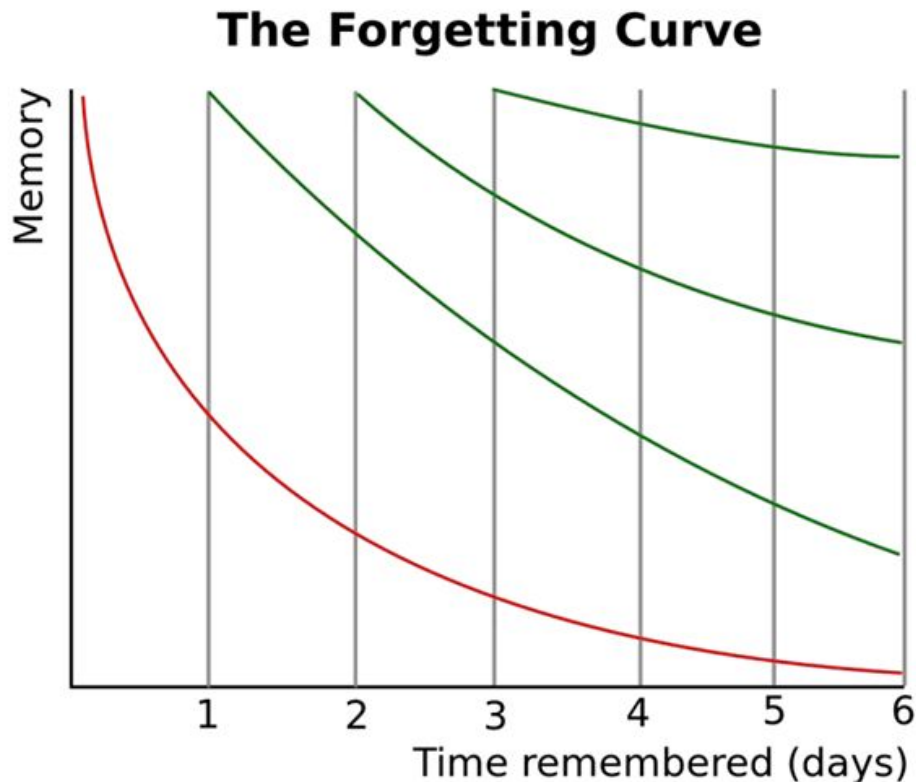


Please note that we do not allow students to drop any subjects, unless there are **exceptional** circumstances.





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The power of persistence



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Equipment



Pencil sharpener



Rubber



Scientific calculator



Pair of compasses



Protractor



Glue stick



30cm ruler



Pencil case

Blue/black pens



Purple pen



Pencils



Coloured pencils



Highlighter



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Somewhere to work



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Students need to be kind to themselves!



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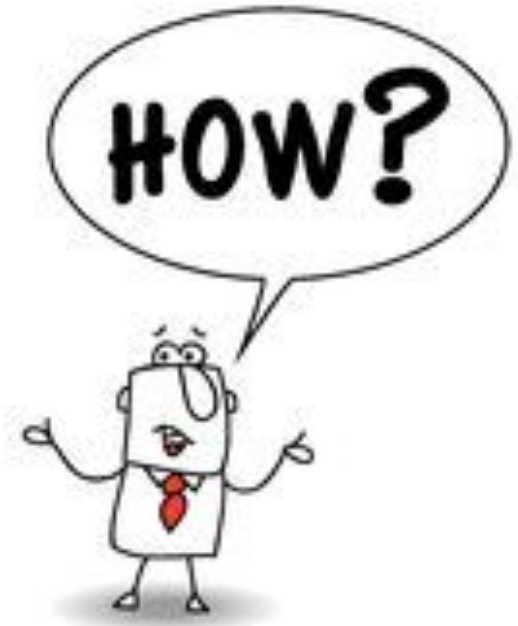
Revision timetable



Revision timetable

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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4:30-4:55pm					
5:00-5:25pm					
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6:00-6:25pm					
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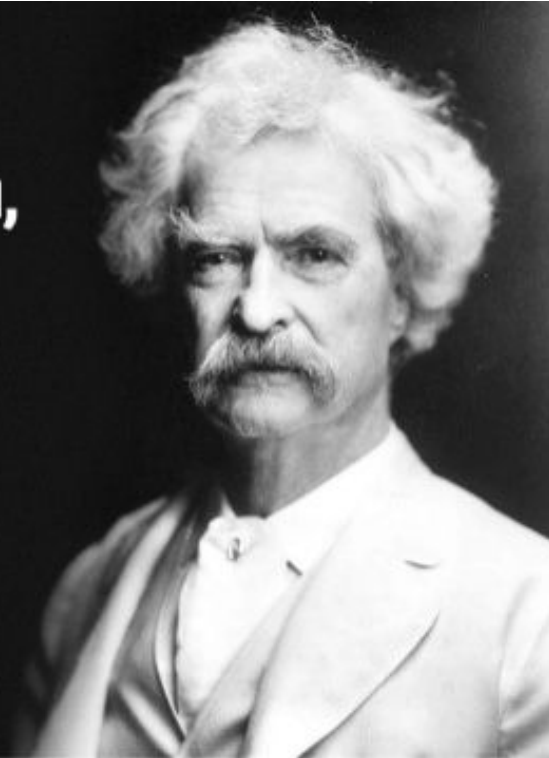






**Find what works for you,
and exploit it.**

Mark Twain



The Quizlet logo consists of the word "Quizlet" in a white, sans-serif font, centered on a solid blue square background.

Quizlet

Good old fashioned quizzing is an ideal vehicle to get students **self-testing**, which is proven to be a robust revision strategy, so that students can calibrate their knowledge and remembering.

The Kahoot! logo features the word "Kahoot!" in a white, bold, sans-serif font, centered on a dark purple background. The background is decorated with a stylized Earth globe at the bottom, a rocket ship launching from the right, and several colorful, multi-colored rectangular blocks floating in the space.

Kahoot!

There are various types of quizzes, of course, such as short answer quizzing, multiple choice or a hybrid of the two, with different question types suiting different purposes.

There are lots of apps available!

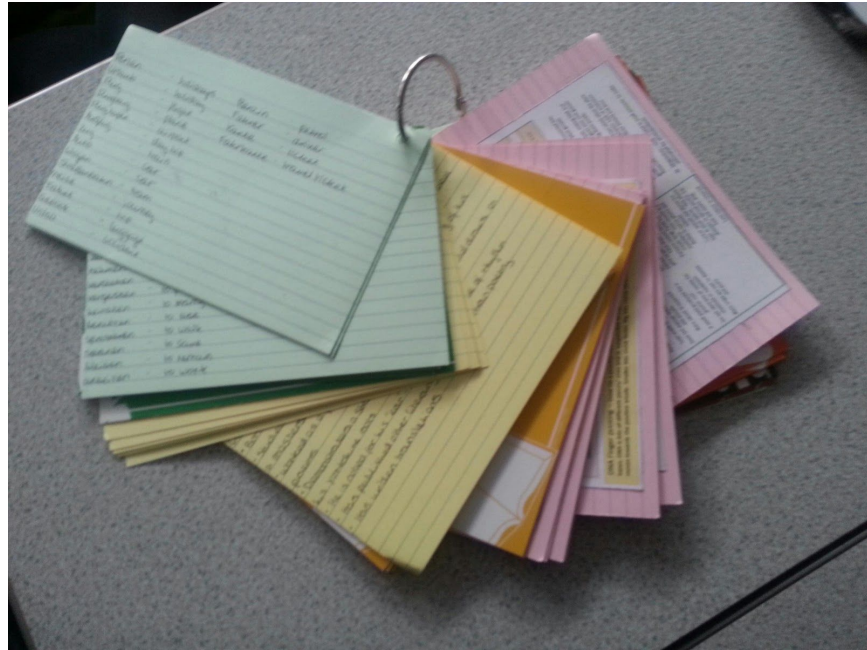
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Flash cards



Flashcards are a very familiar tool used by students.

Crucially, however, too many students fail to use them for effective self-testing.





The Cornell Method

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CollegeThrive.com

Notes

This is the section where you should take your notes during the course of the lecture. Use bullets, sentences, short-hand, etc.

Cues

Questions, main points, visual clues, and other clues that jog your memory go here. Fill this section in after class.

Summary

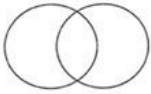
Most important points and main ideas go here. Fill in this section after class when you are in the reviewing process.

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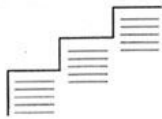
Graphic Organisers



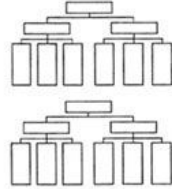
Venn Diagram



Sequential Thinking Model



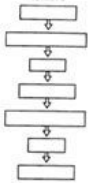
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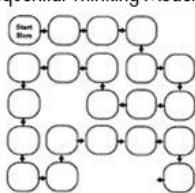
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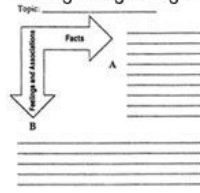
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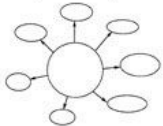
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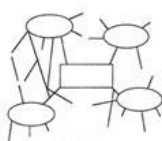
Thinking at Right Angles



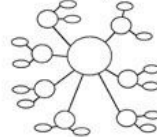
Spider Map



Web



Mind Map

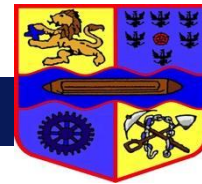


Students need to be active in revision, not just reading their notes and doing some colouring in with a rainbow of highlighters.

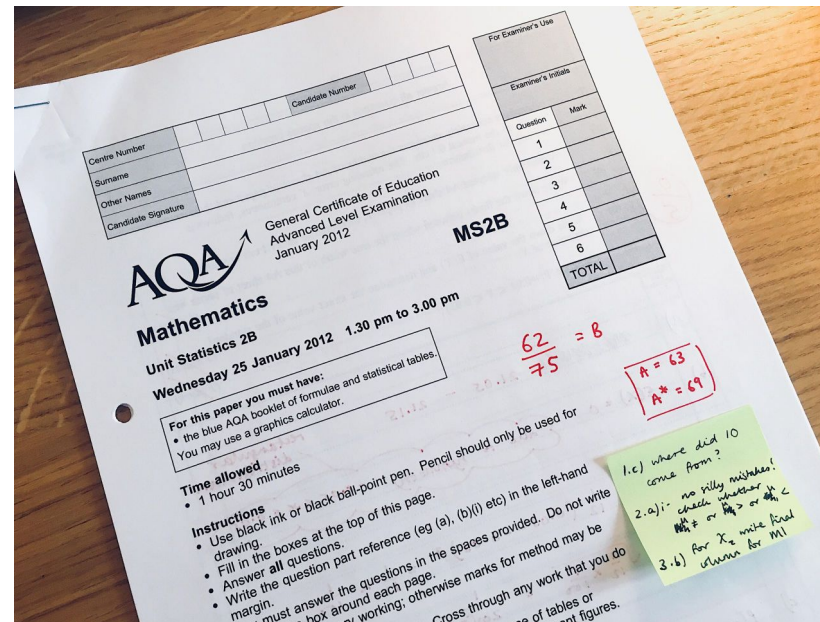
Graphic organisers are a handy vehicle to get students reconstructing their revision topics, making meaningful links and connections.

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Past papers



Students need to practice examination questions, over and over, well spaced over time.



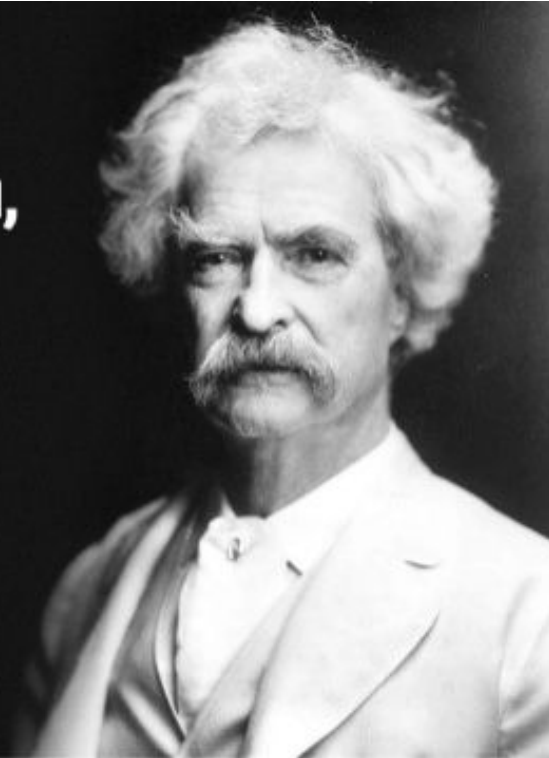
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Subject and student specific!



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In school revision sessions



We get lots of questions about this!

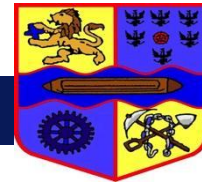
At present we do not have a centrally collated list of revision sessions being run. Revision sessions are put on voluntarily by staff so these will only fall on afternoon's when these colleagues are available to run them; regrettably this can result in unavoidable clashes.

Staff will inform their classes of when sessions are on, and the number of sessions running will increase throughout the year as we get closer to the exam season.

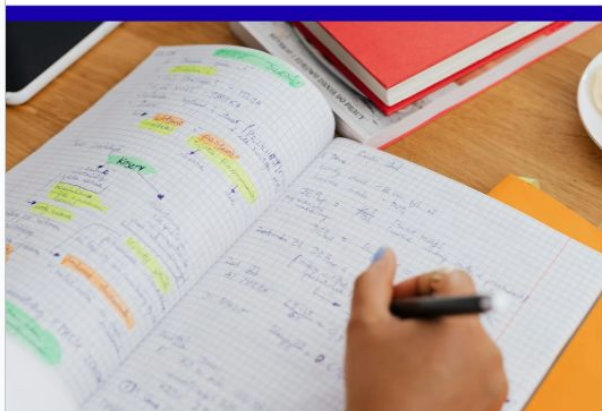


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Revision Booklet



Revision Materials



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In order to support students with their revision over the next few months, subject staff have provided the following details of where to source revision materials and guidance. Revision can take a number of different formats, and what works for one student will not necessarily work for another, but there are lots of resources available so there should be something for everyone!

Biology

Exam Board: AQA

Use your exercise book in the first instance, particularly focusing on exam questions.

- **Revision Guides:** We recommend the CGP revision guide for 'GCSE Combined Science' or for 'GCSE Biology' if you are studying Triple Science as an option. Make sure you pick the AQA specification and the correct tier - Higher or Foundation.
- **Educake.co.uk:** All students have a login for Educake, which provides a huge bank of GCSE questions to test recall of knowledge in Biology, Chemistry and Physics.
- **BBC Bitesize Biology:** Bitesize is a great resource. This link is for AQA Combined Science. Click on it and away you go!
- **Gojimo app:** Revision question cards and quizzes. Select GCSE Combined Science or GCSE Biology and the AQA exam board. Free and easy to use on your phone or iPad.
- **Free Science Lessons:** Fantastic short videos with all the key concepts covered.

Business Studies

Exam Board: Edexcel

Resources are available on Google Classroom for all ten units studied. These include presentations, knowledge organisers and short questions. The link to BBC Bitesize is in Google Classroom so this is easy to find. The specification with all the subject content is on Google Classroom with the page numbers for paper 1 and paper 2, you can also find the definitions of all the questions stem words and all the formulas that you need to learn in one place. You also have Erevision, which you have been using for homework, you can go over this at any time to revise topics that we have done. There is a selection of past papers already copied in B63 ready for question practice.

Recommended websites:

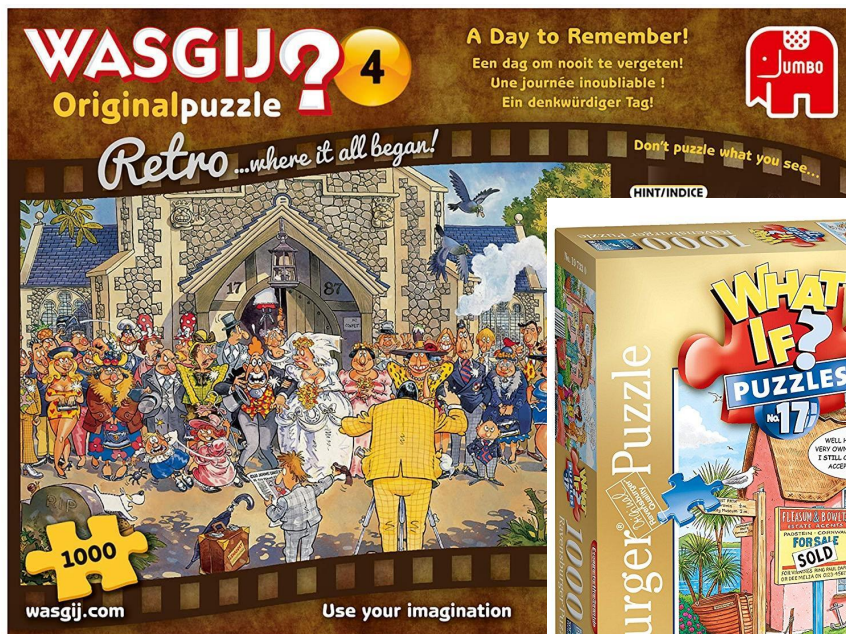
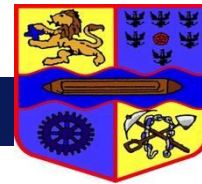
- [BBC Bitesize](https://www.bbc.com/bitesize)
- www.businessed.co.uk



REVISION MATERIALS 2025/26

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How can you help in subjects YOU may have forgotten?



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Metacognition



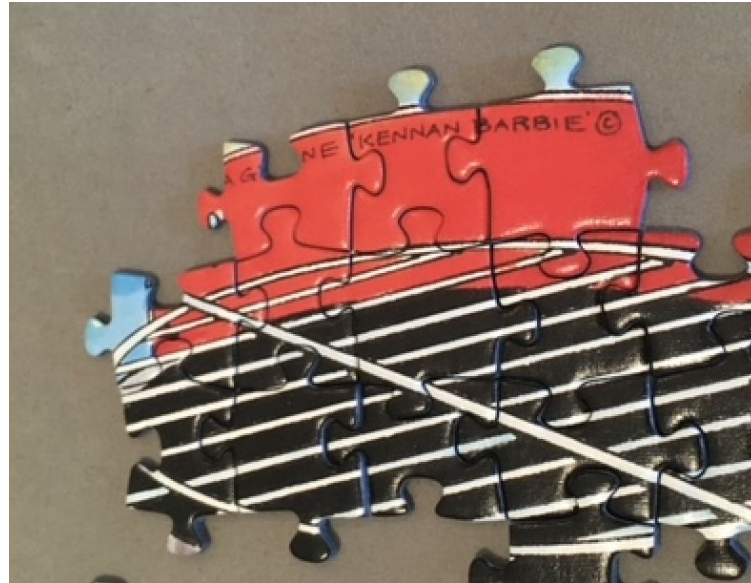
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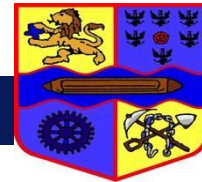
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Success!





Information regarding mock exams for core subjects



Exam board: Eduqas

Mock exam: GCSE English language component 2: 19th and 21st century
non-fiction reading and transactional writing

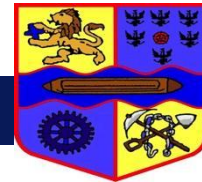
1 hour 30 minute exam

(small reduction of summer exam; students for mocks will only respond to one writing task instead of the compulsory two).

This paper is 60% of the GCSE English language qualification

Suggestions for GCSE English language revision:

- Have you practised responding to a reading paper in timed conditions?
 - ◆ Set a timer and have a go of reading and responding to questions.
- Have you practised responding to transactional writing tasks?
 - ◆ Look at some of the practice questions, plan a response and then write it up



Exam board: Eduqas

Mock exam: GCSE English literature component 2: 19th century prose, post 1914 drama and unseen poetry

2 hours 30 minutes exam

This paper is 60% of the GCSE English literature qualification

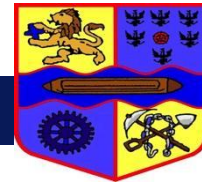
Students will be assessed on their knowledge of:

- Blood Brothers (45 minutes / 40 marks)
- A Christmas Carol (45 minutes / 40 marks)
- Unseen Poetry analysis and comparison (60 minutes / 40 marks)

It is a closed book exam, exactly like the real GCSE exam. It is imperative students know:

- quotations for Blood Brothers and A Christmas Carol
- context for A Christmas Carol.

Students will not be informed of the essay questions.



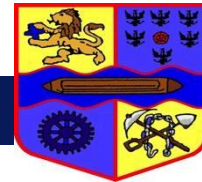
Exam board: AQA

Mock exam:

Biology Paper 1 - 1hr 15 minutes - Units 1-4 - Cell Biology; Organisation; Infection and Response; Bioenergetics.

Chemistry Paper 1 - 1hr 15 minutes - Units 8-12 - Atomic Structure and the periodic table; Bonding, structure and the properties of matter; Quantitative Chemistry; Chemical Changes; Energy Changes.

Physics Paper 1 - 1hr 15 minutes - Units 18-21 - Energy; Electricity; Particle model of matter; Atomic Structure.



Exam board: AQA

Mock exam:

AQA GCSE Biology

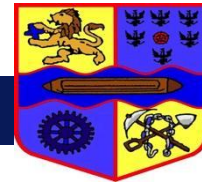
Biology Paper 1 - 1hr 45 minutes - Units 1-4 - Cell Biology; Organisation; Infection and Response; Bioenergetics.

AQA GCSE Chemistry

Chemistry Paper 1 - 1hr 45 minutes - Units 8-12 - Atomic Structure and the periodic table; Bonding, structure and the properties of matter; Quantitative Chemistry; Chemical Changes; Energy Changes.

AQA GCSE Physics

Physics Paper 1 - 1hr 45 minutes - Units 18-21 - Energy; Electricity; Particle model of matter; Atomic Structure.



Exam board: EDEXCEL

Mock exam: 2 papers* - each 1 hour 30 minutes
1 Non-calculator, 1 Calculator Paper

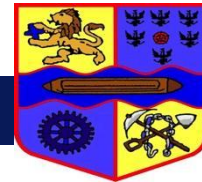
Topics vary between papers.

Use revision lists shared by maths teacher, along with past papers and www.Sparxmaths.uk.

***If the timetable allows, there will be a third paper added, a final calculator exam.**



Important information and deadlines for other subjects



Coursework Portfolio = 60%

Practical Exam = 40%

Practical Exam Paper is released on the 1 January 2026

The students choose one starting point from the exam paper and complete prep work towards their final exam in April.

The deadlines:

Both Component 1 (coursework) and Component 2 (exam prep work) are due on **Friday 24 April**

Practical exam dates:

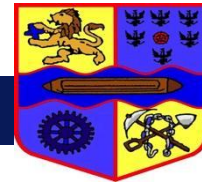
Tuesday 28 April

Thursday 30 April

Students will be in the Art rooms all day except for break and lunch times. (A total of 10 hours of controlled assessment)

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Media Studies - Option



NEA/Coursework= 30% deadline 19th December 2025

Component 1 (90 minute exam) = 40% (provisionally 18 May 2026)

Component 2 (90 minute exam) = 30% (provisionally 02 June 2026)

NEA/Coursework:

The exam board have asked students to complete **EITHER:**

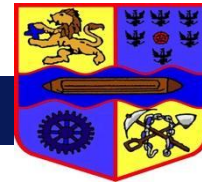
- An action/teen drama dvd cover AND theatrical poster **OR**
- The front page, contents page and one article for a gossip or music magazine.

Details about exactly what students should include in this coursework is in a document on showbie. There is also A LOT of guidance on showbie - use all of this to bank the most coursework marks possible.

The NEAs **MUST** include students' original photography appropriate to the briefs set out by the exam board. Students have been working on this since the summer term of Year 10 and we dedicate one lesson per week on the NEA work in school. **Students must also work on this at home in order to achieve the grades they are capable of and this is also set on Edulink.**

Our final deadline for coursework is Friday 19th December. This enables the NEA submissions to be marked by the class teacher, moderated internally by another member of staff and marks returned to students before submitting the work to the exam board who then moderate the marks awarded.

After school support/catch up/revision will take place on Tuesdays 3-4pm beginning after the October half term.



Practical Video evidence - all video evidence to be submitted by Friday 19th December.

This includes all the skills in isolation and match, competition performance videos. All students that play a sport outside school have been given a paper copy or an online link of their sport specification. If they are unsure what needs to be recorded they must speak to their PE teacher asap.

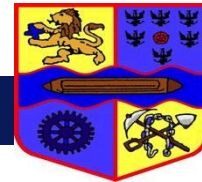
The following sports do not need video evidence as we can assess these in school:

Football
Netball
Basketball
Badminton
Trampolining
Handball
Table Tennis
Athletics

PEP written coursework to be fully completed by:

1st draft: Monday 3rd November

Final submission : Friday 19th December



Speaking Tests

These are conducted by class teachers.

Mock speaking tests: wb 23 February and wb 2 March

GCSE speaking tests: wb 27 April

Worth 25% of the final grade

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Other Deadlines - Options



GCSE DT NEA - Friday 13 March 2026

Hospitality & Catering NEA (Practical) - Monday 2 March Friday 6 March 2026

Health & Social Care NEA - Creative & Therapeutic Activities - Friday 20 March 2026

