November 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian

As students commence their GCSE studies at the beginning of **Year 10,** we realise that it can often be challenging to stay up to date with what your child is studying and how and when they will be assessed throughout each subject area.

In an attempt to provide greater clarity and guidance, we would like to advise you of key assessment dates for each subject, along with advice on how to access revision resources and additional support. Please be assured that students are continually given in-depth advice on the best ways to revise and we would be grateful if you could encourage them to use the methods that we know best maximises their learning.

In addition to the Year 10 **mock exam week from the 24 February to 7 March 2024**, please refer to the links to access the relevant information for subjects where appropriate:

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| Subject | Assessment | Date | Resources to support |
| Drama | Devising Log Section 1 Controlled Assessment  Devising Log Section 2 Controlled Assessment  Devised Controlled Practical Exam (AQA External Examiner)  Devising Log Section 3 Controlled Assessment  End of Year 10 Written Exam | w/c 14 Oct 24  w/c 20 Jan 25  w/c 28 April 25  w/c 6 May 25  Exam Week | Copies of the play and extract selected by NSH. Revision Guides, Teams and booklets.  One to one intervention classes on Thursday evenings in either the hall or E2 from 3-4.15pm starting in January 2025. |
| English Literature | Blood Brothers extract into essay  Poetry anthology – single poem analysis & comparison essay  Christmas Carol essay  Shakespeare extract and essay question | w/c 30 Sept 24  w/c 13 Jan 25  w/c 10 Mar 25  w/c 21 April 25 | Revision guides, Teams, literature revision area. |

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| Maths | Autumn assessment  Spring mock  Summer assessment | w/c 4 Nov 24  w/c 3 March 25  w/c 23 June 25 | Mathswatch revision plan – set by teachers in the 3 week lead up. |
| RE | D Question practice  Islam beliefs  D Question practice  Yr10 Mock exam  D Question practice  Living the Christian Life | 25 Sept 24  w/c 6 Nov 24  5 Jan – 2 Feb 25  Exam week  15 April 25  17 – 28 June 25 | Revision guides – ordered and purchased by students.  Teams Revision Area.  School Website.  RE Revision lessons. |
| Geography  Edexcel A | Ecosystems, Biodiversity and Management  Changing Cities  Pupils will also undertake a piece of fieldwork in Year 9 and 10 that will be assessed later. | w/c 13 Jan 25  w/c 9 June 25 | Knowledge Checkers, Teams Revision site, Carousel Learning and Seneca. |
| Design & Technology | End of Unit assessments for the following topics-  ‘What makes things move?’  ‘How can D&T improve lives?’  ‘How can we illuminate our homes?’  **NEA (worth 50% of GCSE) to start June 2024.** | w/c 7 Oct 24  w/c 3 Feb 25  w/c 19 May 25  NEA to be completed by Easter of year 11. | Technologystudent.com  Theory folders.  Revision Guides. |
| French | End of module assessment: listening, reading, writing  Mod 2 interim assessment: speaking (read aloud)  Year 10 mocks: listening, reading & writing (90-word task)  Assessments for module 3 | w/c 18 Nov 24 and 25 Nov 24  Jan 25  w/c 24 Feb 25  TBC as we are currently following a new GCSE course | [www.quizlet.com](http://www.quizlet.com) (or quizlet app) - students should log into their class quizlet group for vocabulary learning.  Class area on Microsoft Teams for sentence builder grids (paper copies of the sentence builder grids are also in student files).  Pearson active hub – revision tasks set by class teacher |
| German | End of module 1 assessment: listening, reading, writing (translation)  Module 2 interim assessment: speaking (role play)  Year 10 mocks: listening, reading, writing (90-word task)  Assessments for module 3 | w/c 18 Nov & 25 Nov 24  Around w/c  13 Jan 25  w/c 24 Feb 25  TBC as we are currently following a new GCSE course | www.quizlet.com (or quizlet app) - students should log into their class quizlet group for vocabulary learning.  Class area on Microsoft Teams for sentence builder grids (paper copies of the sentence builder grids are also in student files)  Pearson active hub – revision tasks set by class teacher |
| History | End of unit assessments:  Conflict & Tension Unit 3 – Causes of WWII  Power & the People – mid unit assessment  Year 10 test week – full USA paper | Nov 2024  April 2025  Mock exam week 24 Feb – 7 March 25 | Exercise books, notes booklets, flash cards (made for homework) History class Team (for revision PowerPoints). |
| Physical Education | **Full Paper 1 Exam** Including Physical Training and Applied Anatomy and Physiology  Coursework – Evaluation and Analysis (4 hours)  Year 10 Sports Psychology Assessment  Coursework – Overview and Assessment | 9 Dec 24  Oct 2024  Mock exam week  May 25 | Exercise books, Revision Guide, Teams. |
| Food Prep & Nutrition | End of topic assessed practical planning and assessed practical  Exam (1 Hour) in exam week | Approx every 6 weeks  Mock exam week |  |
| iMedia | Unit 1  Unit 2  Exam assessment full | w/c 16 Dec 24  w/c 10 Feb 25  w/c 19 May 25 | First coursework will be taking place for the first term of year 10 and will be assessed at the end.  Second coursework will begin in the final half term of year 10. |
| Art & Design | Funfair  Conceal/Reveal | Aug 24- Feb 25  Feb - July 25 | Ongoing formative assessment throughout the project. |
| Engineering | NEA R015  Unit 1 and 2 assessment  **Mock** NEA R016  NEA R016 | Deadline 12 Dec 25  w/b 17 Mar 25  Deadline w/b 12 May 25  Start 1 June and continue into year 11 |  |
| Computer Science | Algorithms  Systems architecture  Ethics and memory  End of year assessment | w/c 18 Nov 24  w/c 16 Dec 24  w/c 31 Mar 25  TBC | Educake, Seneca, revision guide and workbook pages, flash cards, knowledge organisers |
| Btec Music | Component 2: Music skills’ development | Feb – April 25 Pupils will have a set number of hours per task | Unit work books. Unit check lists.  Pearson’s set assignment for each component.  Teams page for unit documentation.  Teaching + learning guided support work.  Component aid booklet. |
| GCSE Music | Toto – ‘Africa ‘  Set Work 2 Assessment  JS Bach – ‘Badinerie’  Set Work 1 Assessment  Weekly Vocabulary Tests  Practice Listening Examination (40%) | w/c 14 Oct 24  w/c 6 Jan 25  w/c 13Jan 25  w/c 24 Feb 25 | Folders and resource sheets on Teams.  Focus on Sound |
| AQA Combined Science | P2 Electricity  B3 & B4 Infection and response & Bioenergetics.  C3 & C4 Quantitative chemistry & Chemical change  P3 & P4 Particle model of matter & Atomic structure.  C5 & 6 Energy changes and Rates | w/c 30 Oct 24  w/c 13 Jan 25  w/c 3 Mar 25  w/c 12 May 25  w/c 16 June 25 | Pupil folders, revision guides and ‘what you need to know’ booklets are the first stop revision resources.  Additionally, pupils may access the science departments own revision website[Revision](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/entity/2a527703-1f6f-4559-a332-d8a7d288cd88/_djb2_msteams_prefix_3082796791?context=%7B%22subEntityId%22%3Anull%2C%22channelId%22%3A%2219%3ATBhH36u1oBczGnOpJUhyT-lr0ll_QNJjgKU8Pg2zqmE1%40thread.tacv2%22%7D&groupId=5c77b8c9-945a-4c21-865a-1baa1b8c905a&tenantId=8a2f2e7a-0387-471d-8a4a-be830acc677f&allowXTenantAccess=false)  Pupils can log on to [www.kerboodle.com](http://www.kerboodle.com) to access online textbooks and additional resources.  Pupils can log on to [www.educake.com](http://www.educake.com) to complete revision quizzing activities; these may be set by teachers or pupils can self-select areas to revise.  Past exam questions, flash cards and detailed revision notes for all topics: https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/ |
| AQA Biology | B4 Bioenergetics  B5 Homeostasis and response | w/c 25 Nov 24  w/c 28 April 25 | Pupil folders, revision guides and ‘what you need to know’ booklets are the first stop revision resources.  Additionally, pupils may access the science departments own revision website[Revision](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/entity/2a527703-1f6f-4559-a332-d8a7d288cd88/_djb2_msteams_prefix_3082796791?context=%7B%22subEntityId%22%3Anull%2C%22channelId%22%3A%2219%3ATBhH36u1oBczGnOpJUhyT-lr0ll_QNJjgKU8Pg2zqmE1%40thread.tacv2%22%7D&groupId=5c77b8c9-945a-4c21-865a-1baa1b8c905a&tenantId=8a2f2e7a-0387-471d-8a4a-be830acc677f&allowXTenantAccess=false)  Pupils can log on to [www.kerboodle.com](http://www.kerboodle.com) to access online textbooks and additional resources.  Pupils can log on to [www.educake.com](http://www.educake.com) to complete revision quizzing activities; these may be set by teachers or pupils can self-select areas to revise.  Past exam questions, flash cards and detailed revision notes for all topics can be found at https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/ |
| AQA Chemistry | C3 Quantitative chemistry  C4 Chemical change  C5 Energy changes | w/c 11 Nov 24  w/c 24 Feb 25  w/c 2 June 25 | Pupil folders, revision guides and “what you need to know” booklets are the first stop revision resources.  Additionally, pupils may access the science departments own revision website[Revision](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/entity/2a527703-1f6f-4559-a332-d8a7d288cd88/_djb2_msteams_prefix_3082796791?context=%7B%22subEntityId%22%3Anull%2C%22channelId%22%3A%2219%3ATBhH36u1oBczGnOpJUhyT-lr0ll_QNJjgKU8Pg2zqmE1%40thread.tacv2%22%7D&groupId=5c77b8c9-945a-4c21-865a-1baa1b8c905a&tenantId=8a2f2e7a-0387-471d-8a4a-be830acc677f&allowXTenantAccess=false)  Pupils can log on to [www.kerboodle.com](http://www.kerboodle.com) to access online textbooks and additional resources.  Pupils can log on to [www.educake.com](http://www.educake.com) to complete revision quizzing activities; these may be set by teachers or pupils can self-select areas to revise.  Past exam questions, flash cards and detailed revision notes for all topics: <https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/> |
| AQA Physics | P2 Electricity  P3 Particle model of matter  P4 Atomic structure  P5 Forces | w/c 23 Sept 24  w/c 18 Nov 24  w/c 20 Jan 25  w/c 19 May 25 | Pupil folders, revision guides and “what you need to know” booklets are the first stop revision resources.  Additionally, pupils may access the science departments own revision website[Revision](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/entity/2a527703-1f6f-4559-a332-d8a7d288cd88/_djb2_msteams_prefix_3082796791?context=%7B%22subEntityId%22%3Anull%2C%22channelId%22%3A%2219%3ATBhH36u1oBczGnOpJUhyT-lr0ll_QNJjgKU8Pg2zqmE1%40thread.tacv2%22%7D&groupId=5c77b8c9-945a-4c21-865a-1baa1b8c905a&tenantId=8a2f2e7a-0387-471d-8a4a-be830acc677f&allowXTenantAccess=false)  Pupils can log on to [www.kerboodle.com](http://www.kerboodle.com) to access online textbooks and resources.  Pupils can log on to [www.educake.com](http://www.educake.com) to complete revision quizzing activities; these may be set by teachers or pupils can self-select areas to revise.  Past exam questions, flash cards and detailed revision notes for all topics: <https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/> |

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