November 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian

As students commence their GCSE studies at the beginning of **Year 9**, 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.

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 | Baseline Assessment (Improvisation)  Blood Brothers Written Exam  Live Theatre Review  Devised Group Performance  Scripted performance | w/c 9 Oct 24  w/c 29 Jan 25  w/c 12 Feb 25  w/c 7 May 25  w/c 2 July 25 | Copies of the play and extract. Revision Guides, Teams and booklets. |
| English literature | Blood Brothers extract into essay  Single poem and comparison essay  Single poem and comparison essay | w/c 26 Nov 24  w/c 3 Feb 25  w/c 16 June 25 | Revision guides, Teams, literature revision area. |
| Maths | Autumn assessment  Spring assessment  Summer assessment | w/c 2 Dec 24  w/c 24 Feb 25  w/c 9 June 24 | Mathswatch revision plan – set by teachers in the 3 week lead up. |

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| RE | D Question Practice  Christian beliefs  D Question Practice  Marriage and family | 15 Jan - 2 Feb 25  11 - 22 March 25  15Apr-10 May 25  17 – 28 June 25 | Teams Revision Area.  School Website.  RE Revision lessons. |
| Geography  Edexcel A | Weather Hazards and Climate Change  Energy Resource Management  Coastal Landscapes and Processes  Pupils will also undertake a piece of fieldwork in Year 9 and 10 - assessed later. | w/c 2 Dec 24  w/c 10 March 25  w/c 9 June 25 | Knowledge Checkers, Teams Revision site, Carousel Learning and Seneca. |
| Design & Technology | **Year 9**  End of Unit assessments for the following topics-  ‘What is the Future of Technology?’  ‘How can we store small items in the home?’  ‘How do materials affect the environment?’ | w/c 2 Dec 24  w/c 17 March 25  w/c 16 Jun 25 | Technologystudent.com  Theory folders.  Revision Guides. |
| French | Interim assessment Mod 1 reading (translation)  End of Module 1 assessment: listening, speaking (role play), writing  Interim assessment Mod 2 writing (translation)  End of module 2 assessment: listening, speaking (photocard) reading, writing (80-90 word open book task)  Interim assessment Mod 3 speaking (read aloud)  End of module 3 assessment: listening, reading, writing (80-90 word task) | w/c 18 Nov 24  Dec 24  Feb 25  March 25  May 25  June 25 | [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, speaking (read aloud), reading  End of module 2 assessment: listening, speaking (role play), reading, writing (80-90 word open book task)  End of module 3 assessment: listening, reading, writing (80-90 word task) | w/c 25 Nov 24  Around w/c 24 March 25  Around w/c 30 June 25 | [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 |
| History | End of unit assessments:  USA Unit 1–Roaring 20s  USA Unit 2 – Depression & New Deal  USA Unit 3 –Post War USA  Conflict & Tension Unit 1 – Treaty of Versailles | Nov 2024  Feb 2025  May 2025  July 2025 | Exercise books, notes booklets, flash cards (made for homework) History class Team (for revision PowerPoints). |
| Physical Education | 1. Physical training – Components of fitness/Fitness Testing/Principles of Training/Types of training/Preventing injury/Warm up & cool down/Hazards  2. Applied anatomy and physiology – Bones, Muscles, Joints, Axes, Planes, Levers  3. Paper 1 Assessment covering all topics in Physical Training and Applied Anatomy and Physiology | 9 Dec 2024  March 2025  June/July 2025 | Exercise books, Revision Guide, Teams. |
| Food Prep & Nutrition | Topic 3 and 4 Assessment  End of topic assessed practical planning and assessed practical | Feb 25  Approx every 6 weeks |  |
| iMedia | Unit 3  Unit 4  CWK Practice Deadline | w/c 18 Nov 24  w/c 2 Jan 25  w/c 5 May 25 | Practice coursework will begin a few weeks after Christmas and last for the Spring Term and will be assessed throughout.  First coursework will begin in the final half term of year 9. |
| Art & Design | Nature  Sweets | Aug 24 - Feb 25  Feb 25 - July 25 | Ongoing formative assessment throughout the project. |
| Textiles | Food  Weird and Wonderful | Aug 24 - Feb 25  Feb 25 - July 25 | Ongoing formative assessment throughout the project. |
| Computer Science | Algorithms  Python 1  Python 2  Systems software and logic  Network security | w/c 14 Oct 24  w/c 16 Dec 24  w/c 3 March 25  w/c 28 April 25  w/c 9 June 25 | Support resources: Educake, Seneca, revision guide pages |
| Btec Music | Component 1: Exploring music products and styles | Jan – April 2025 Pupils will have a set number of hours per task | Unit work books.  Pearson’s set assignment for each component.  Teams page for unit documentation.  Unit check lists.  Teaching + learning guided support work.  Component aid booklet. |
| GCSE Music | Baseline performance assessment - primary instrument/voice.  ‘Elements of Music’ Assessment  AoS 3 & 4 Assessment  AoS3 Film music test  AoS1 Western Classical music test  Performance assessment - primary instrument/voice. | w/c 9 Sept 24  w/c 9 Dec 24  w/c 17 March 25  w/c 19May 25  w/c 23 June 25 | Baseline performance assessment - primary instrument/voice.  ‘Elements of Music’ Assessment  AoS 3 & 4 Assessment  AoS3 Film music test  AoS1 Western Classical music test  Performance assessment - primary instrument/voice. |
| AQA Combined Science | Ecosystems and Motion & pressure end of topic test  Healthy lifestyle test  C1 Atomic structure & periodic table  B1 Cells  C1 & C2 Atomic structure, periodic table, structure and bonding.  B2 Organisation  P1 Energy | w/c 4 Nov 24  w/c 11 Nov 24  w/c 3 Feb 25  w/c 3March 25  w/c 17 March 25  w/c 2 June 25  w/c 23 Jun 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 Separate science | Ecosystems and Motion & pressure end of topic test  Healthy lifestyle test  B1 Cells  C1 Atomic structure  C2 Bonding & structures  C3 Quantitative chemistry  P1 Energy | w/c 4 Nov 24  w/c 11 Nov 24  w/c 31 March 25  w/c 13 Jan 25  w/c 10 March 25  w/c 9 June 25  w/c 21/5/25 | 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/> |

Yours sincerely



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