

Year 10 GCSE Information Evening 2026



Y10 Important dates

Year 10 GL Assessments

16th September 2026

Sparx Assessment

23rd September

Snapshot (Learning Characteristics)

2nd November 2026

English Lit Mocks (2 weeks)

25th November 2026

Y10 Parents Evening

3rd December 2026

English Lit Mocks 2

8th March 2027 TBC

Other key activities:

Careers Week and Careers Fair

March 2027

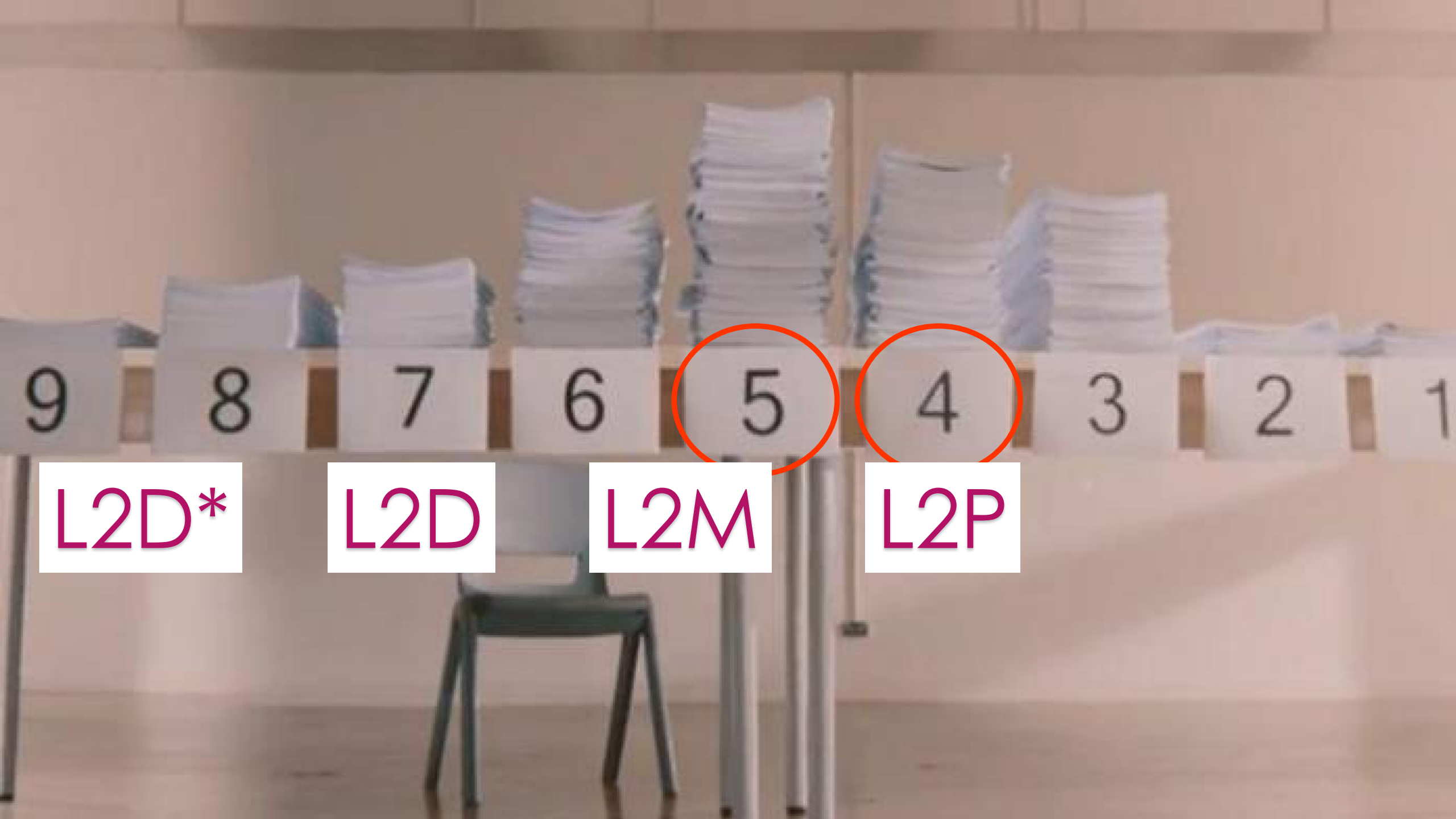
Work experience - Year 11

September 2027

What qualifications will my child be awarded?

- ▶ English Literature (2 exam papers) **Year 10** (1)
- ▶ English Language (2 exam papers) (1)
- ▶ Mathematics (3 exam papers) (1)
- ▶ Combined Science (6 exam papers) (2)
- ▶ Religious Education (3 exam papers) (1)
- ▶ Geography, History, French, Spanish (3 exam papers each) (1)
- ▶ Two option subjects (2)

Total = 9 qualifications and over 19 exam papers. Most students have more than 24!



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8

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L2D*

L2D

L2M

L2P

Sixth Form or College requirements:

- ▶ Vocational pathway: **5** x grade 4+.
- ▶ A-Level pathway: **5** x grade 5+
- ▶ All Level 3 courses want English and Maths grade 4.
- ▶ Level 2 courses have lower entry requirements.



Subjects on Offer 2026

1	2	3	4	5
Criminology	Applied Business	Medical Science	Criminology	Media
Digital Media	Biology	English Language	Applied Computing (ICT)	P.E
Applied Engineering	History	Geography	Health and Social	Physics
Forensic Science		Maths	Sport Studies	
Art			Chemistry	
			Spanish	

Holy Family 6th Form – Why us?

- Small and therefore supportive.
- A great team of Sixth Form leaders and form tutors
- Teachers who know you and your strengths and weaknesses
- Good reputation – 95% of our students went to their first choice of university.
- More freedom than Year 11.
- Great opportunities for Enrichment
- Trips and fun experiences.
- A wide and accessible curriculum, despite our size!

What can we do?

- ▶ Attendance
- ▶ Afterschool Interventions
- ▶ Monitor Progress
- ▶ Attitude to learning
- ▶ Revision Techniques
- ▶ Having a plan for what is next...

Attendance

Equates to...



There are
365 days
In a calendar
year

175
of those days
are NOT spent
at school

Education is important - don't
miss out!

Attendance – our data is stark

Overall attendance in Y11	Average GCSE Grade 2024
96% or more	6
90% - 95%	5
86% - 89%	3
85% or less	2

Attendance – our data is stark

Pupils who attended school
more than 96%

90% made positive progress

Pupils who attended school
more than 90%

80% made positive progress

Pupils who attend school less than 90%

40% made positive progress

Pupils who attend school less than 85%

25% made positive progress

Intervention 'Drop In' Sessions Afterschool

<u>Days</u>	<u>Year 10 Intervention – Week A</u> <u>3.15pm-4.15pm</u>	<u>Year 10 Intervention – Week B</u> <u>3.15pm-4.15pm</u>
Monday		Lunchtime – Engineering Lunchtime – 3D Design
Tuesday Late Bus	Food / RE Lunchtime – 3D Design	Maths
Wednesday Late Bus	Geography / Drama / Languages Lunchtime – 3D Design	English Lunchtime – 3D Design
Thursday Late Bus	PE / H&S / Business / Dance / Music / Computer Science / ICT / NCFE Lunchtime – Art	Science
Friday		Lunchtime – Art

Mock – English Lit

► 25th November

► 8th March (1 week) TBC

Wed	25th November	Year 10 / Year 11 resit - English Literature Paper 1 - Macbeth and An Inspector Calls - 1hr 45
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Assessments - Coursework

Mon	30th November	Year 10 Business Coursework Day
Tue	1st December	Year 10 Business Coursework Day
Wed	2nd December	Year 10 and Year 11 Music Coursework Day / Year 10 ICT Coursework Day
Thurs	3rd December	Year 10 Health and Social Coursework Day / Year 10 and Year 11 Music Coursework Day
Fri	4th December	Year 10 Health and Social Coursework Day

Mock Exams - TBC

Mocks Exams will be in June 2027.

Dates will be confirmed in February 2027.

	Y10 End of Year Exams	
A	P1+2 9:00am start	P4+5 1:00pm start
Mon		Biology Paper 1 1hr15 or 1hr45 (triples)
Tue	Chemistry <u>Paper 2</u> 1hr15 or 1hr45 (triples)	Geography Paper 1&3 1hr 30
Wed	Maths Paper 1 1hr	NCFE Food 1hr30
Thurs	Physics Paper 1 1hr15 or 1hr45 (triples)	History Paper 1 (Crime and Punishment) 1hr
Fri	RE Paper 1 (Catholic Theology) 1hr 30	Drama 1hr15 + MOP UPS
B		
Mon	Maths Paper 2 1hr	DASH test - all Y9 in Sports Hall + Y10 MOP UPS

Summer 2027



English Literature	1ET0 01	Paper 1: Shakespeare and Post-1914 Literature	Wednesday 12 May	Morning	1h 45m
	1ET0 02	Paper 2: 19th Century Novel & Poetry since 1789	Wednesday 19 May	Morning	2h 15m

Date	Afternoon		
	Paper Code		Duration
Thursday 10 June	5259UA0-1	Fitness for Sport (on-screen)	1h 20m
	5259UB0-1	Fitness for Sport (paper)	1h 20m

How do I know how my child is progressing?

1. Our new Pupil Progress App -essential
2. Feedback, comments and scores in books.
3. Class Charts merits and demerits for learning behaviours.



Subject	Teacher	Minimum Target Grade	Average Unit Grade	Attitude to Learning	Effort and Determination	Homework and Study
GCSE in Art and Design <i>AQA - Art, craft and design</i>	Miss Connolly	6	5	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
GCSE in Combined Science <i>AQA Trilogy</i>	Mr Horne, Mrs Parker, Mr Thompson	5-5	5-4	Excellent	Good	Good
GCSE in English Language <i>Edexcel 2.0</i>	Miss Routledge	6	2	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
GCSE in English Literature <i>Edexcel</i>	Miss Routledge	6	4	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
GCSE in Geography <i>AQA</i>	Miss Lavens	5	5	Good	Good	Good
GCSE in History <i>Edexcel</i>	Mr Houlbrook	5	5	Excellent	Good	Excellent
GCSE in Maths <i>Edexcel</i>	Miss Gardner	4	4	Good	Good	Excellent
GCSE in Religious Studies <i>Eduqas Route B</i>	Mrs O'Connor	6	6	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent

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GCSE in Combined Science <i>AQA Trilogy</i>	Mrs Welsh, Miss Harris, Mr Thompson	4-4	6-5	Excellent	Excellent	Requires improve
GCSE in English Language <i>Edexcel 2.0</i>	Mr Williams	4	5	Good	Good	Good
GCSE in English Literature <i>Edexcel</i>	Mr Williams	5	5	Good	Good	Good
GCSE in Maths <i>Edexcel</i>	Mr Thorp	7	5	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
GCSE in Religious Studies <i>Eduqas Route B</i>	Mrs Mccarthy	3	5	Good	Good	Good
GCSE in Spanish <i>Edexcel (2024)</i>	Miss Murphy	7	7	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
L1/2 BTEC Tech Award in Enterprise <i>Award 2022</i>	Mr Kinsella	L1D	L2M	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
L1/2 WJEC in Sport and Coaching Principles <i>Technical Award (2022)</i>	Mr Nutman, Mr Morley	L2P	L2M	Excellent	Excellent	Good



Holy Family Catholic High
School

GCSE in Combined Science | AQA Trilogy

Year Group 11 | Class 11S/Sc3

17.09.2025
Mr Horne, Mrs Parker, Mr Thompson



Live Tracking

Minimum Target Grade		Scaled Average Unit Marks / 420		Average Unit Grade		Target Grid	
						Grade	Marks away (Average Unit)
5-5		122		5-4		5-4	Achieved
						5-5	11
						6-5	31

Unit	Biology 1	Chemistry 1	Physics 1	Biology 2	Chemistry 2	Physics 2
Grade	4		U		5	

Attitude to Learning	Effort and Determination	Homework and Study
Excellent	Good	Good

1: Shakespeare and Post-1914 Literature	Total Marks	Grade
Question Level Analysis Average		
a) AO2 - Extract / 20	11	
b) AO1&3: Theme / 20	6	
A: Shakespeare Sub-total / 40	17	
AO1&3: British Play/ Novel / 32	15	
AO4: Technical Accuracy / 8	5	
B: Post-1914 Sub-total / 40	20	
1: Past Paper Total Marks / 80	37	
Average Total Marks / 80 <i>Year Group Average Total Marks</i>	37 35.0	
Current Unit Grade	4	

In summary:

1. The three learning characteristics
2. Overall **On target**, **above target**, **one below** or **very below**.

Detailed knowledge breakdown which shows:

1. Specific strengths.
2. Gaps in knowledge.
3. Scores from mock exams.
4. Scores from other key assessments.
5. Coursework component scores.

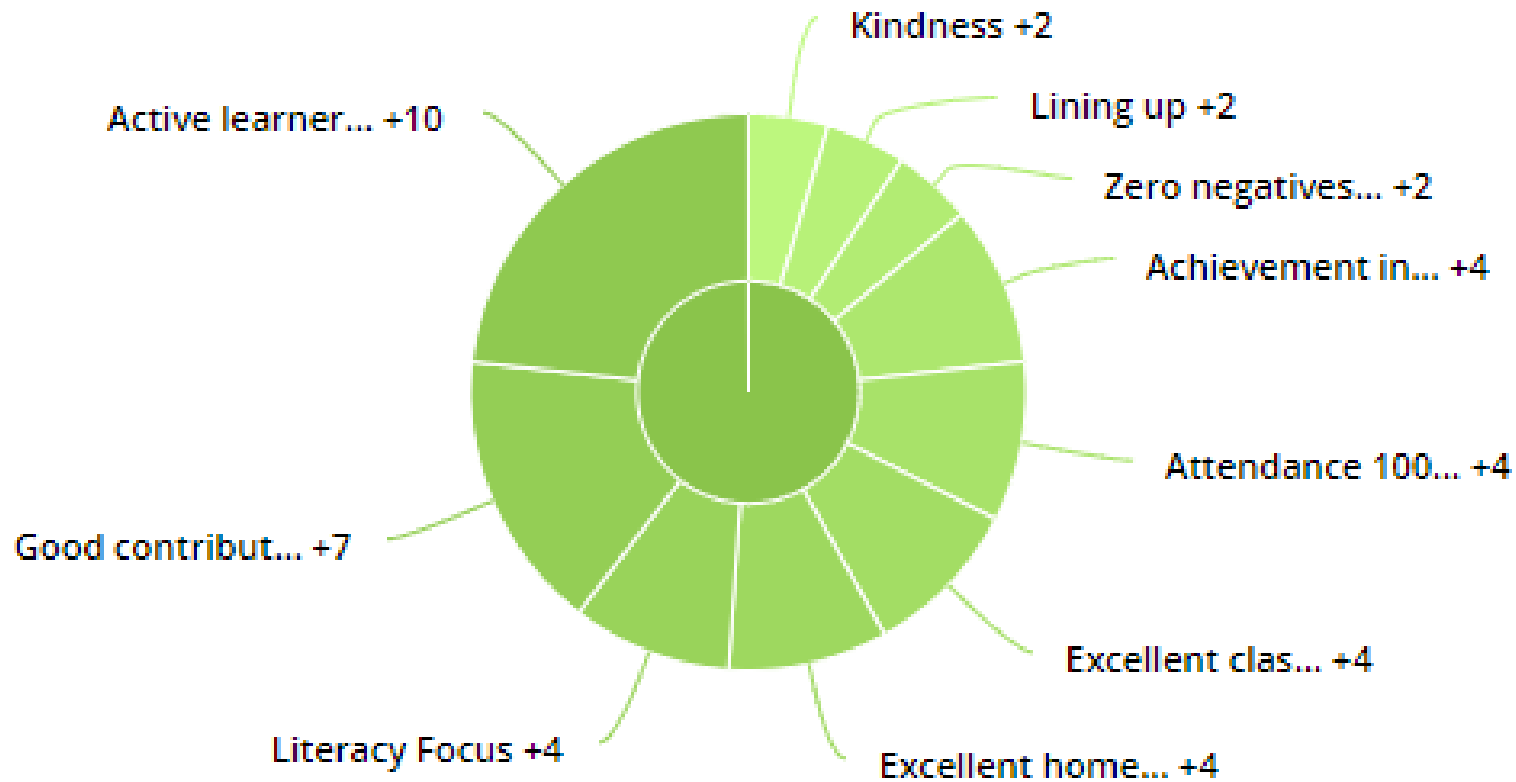


Learning behaviours in

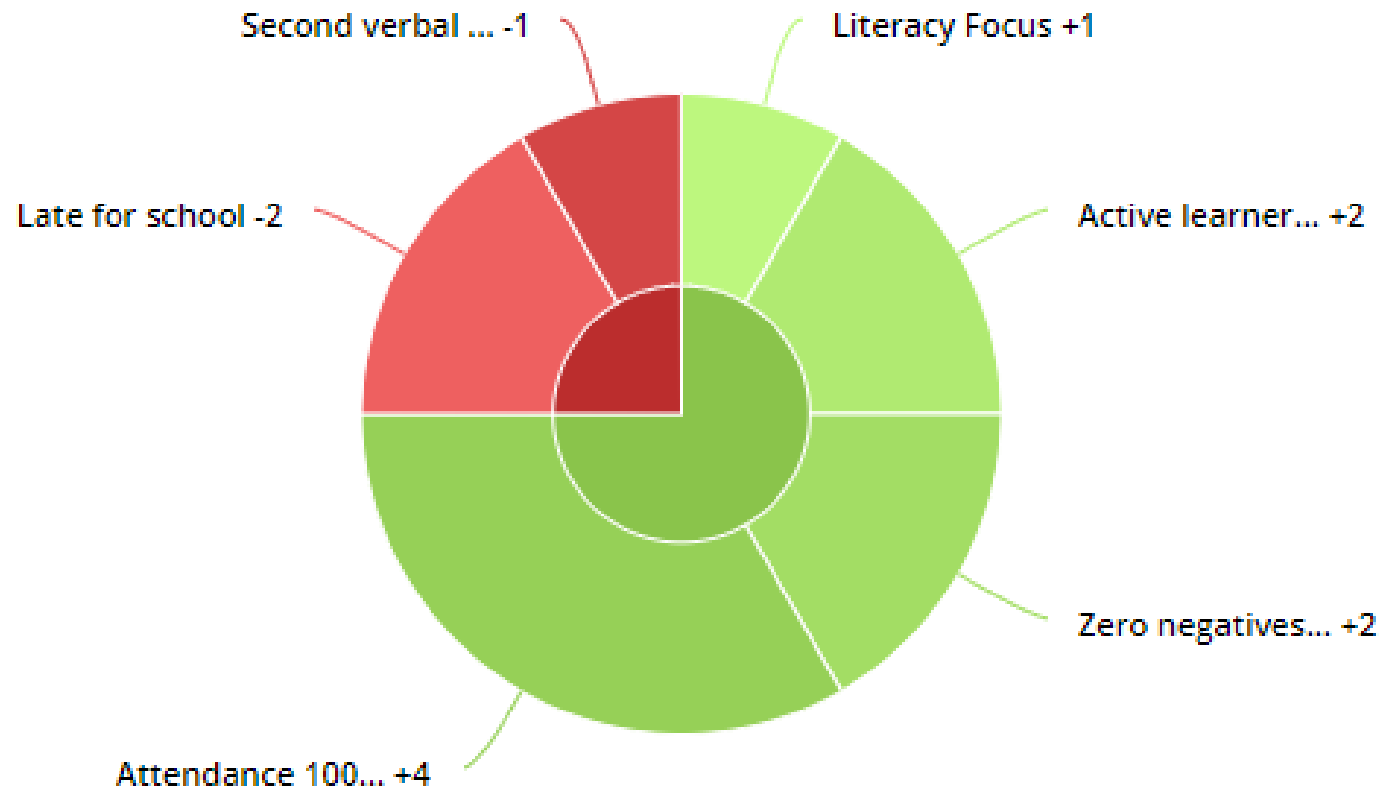


- ▶ **Active learner, good group work, achievement in class, resilience when challenged, excellent classwork, excellent homework.**
- ▶ **Attending intervention.**
- ▶ **Tassomai homework – 5 daily goals**

Class Charts – learning behaviours



Class Charts – learning behaviours



Revision Support



**Me studying one
day before my exam**



**Me: I'll just study for an hour.
Also me, 6 hours later:
Did I just re-read the same page 12 times?**

Revision Support

Little and often!

What we will do in school:

- Students will create a revision timetable
- Subject specific revision tips
- Subject specific resources
- Offer places to study before and afterschool

WEEKLY REVISION PLANNER

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	TIME	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
8:30AM-4PM	SCHOOL	SCHOOL	SCHOOL	SCHOOL	SCHOOL	9AM-10AM	BREAKFAST/ SHOWER	BREAKFAST/ SHOWER
4PM-5PM	HOMEWORK	TV/ GAMING/ SOCIAL MEDIA	HOMEWORK	TV/ GAMING/ SOCIAL MEDIA	HOMEWORK	10AM-11AM	REVISION - ENGLISH	REVISION - SCIENCE
5PM-6PM	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	11AM-1PM	SEEING FRIENDS/ LUNCH	SPORT/ LUNCH
6PM-7PM	REVISION - GEOGRAPHY	HOMEWORK	REVISION - HISTORY	REVISION - FRENCH	REVISION - SCIENCE	1PM-3PM	REVISION - MATHS	REVISION - FLASH CARDS
7PM-8PM	REVISION - MATHS	REVISION - ENGLISH	FREE TIME	HOMEWORK	FREE TIME	3PM-5PM	OUT WITH FAMILY	SPORT/ TV/ GAMING
8PM-9PM	FREE TIME/ SHOWER	FREE TIME/ SHOWER	FREE TIME/ SHOWER	FREE TIME/ SHOWER	FREE TIME/ SHOWER	6PM-8PM	DINNER/ FREE TIME	DINNER/ FREE TIME

Your role in the revision journey

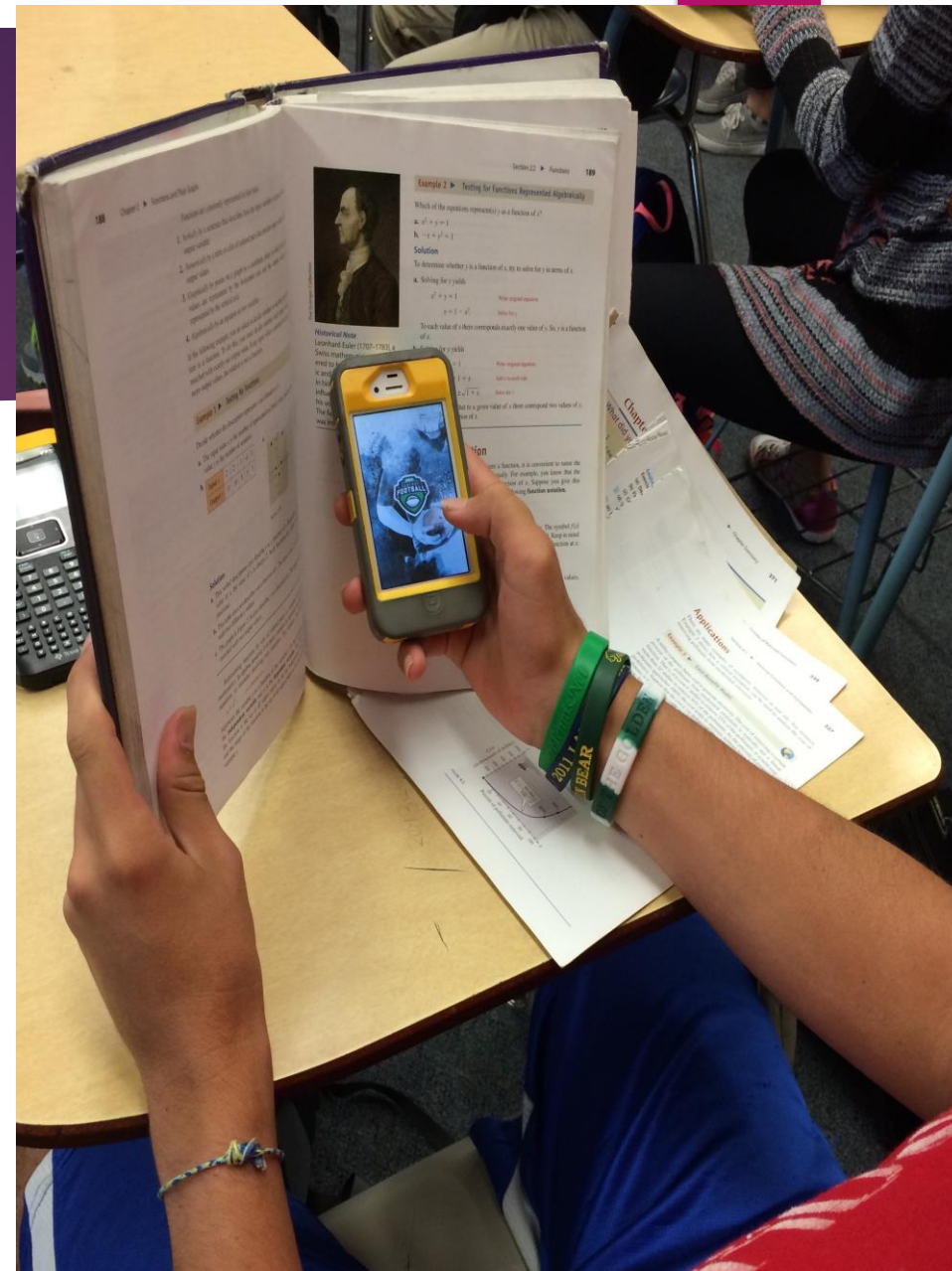
- ▶ Help create a **quiet, distraction-free workspace**.
- ▶ Encourage **short, focused sessions** with breaks.
- ▶ Ask questions from flashcards or test content together.
- ▶ Celebrate small wins to build momentum and reduce stress.
- ▶ Support a **healthy routine**: sleep, food, downtime.

 *Try setting a weekly revision check-in – what's working, what's not?*

Unplugging is vital

- ▶ Gaming
- ▶ Tik Tok
- ▶ YouTube
- ▶ Snapchat, Discord, Instagram
- ▶ Netflix

Remove distractions for a period of time.



How can I get my child off their device?

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There are free and paid for APPs like:

- ▶ Freedom
- ▶ Clearspace
- ▶ Stayfree
- ▶ Goggle Family Link
- ▶ Qustodio
- ▶ Netnanny

Essential Apps:

Sparx Learning

 **SENECA**


gcsepod
education on demand

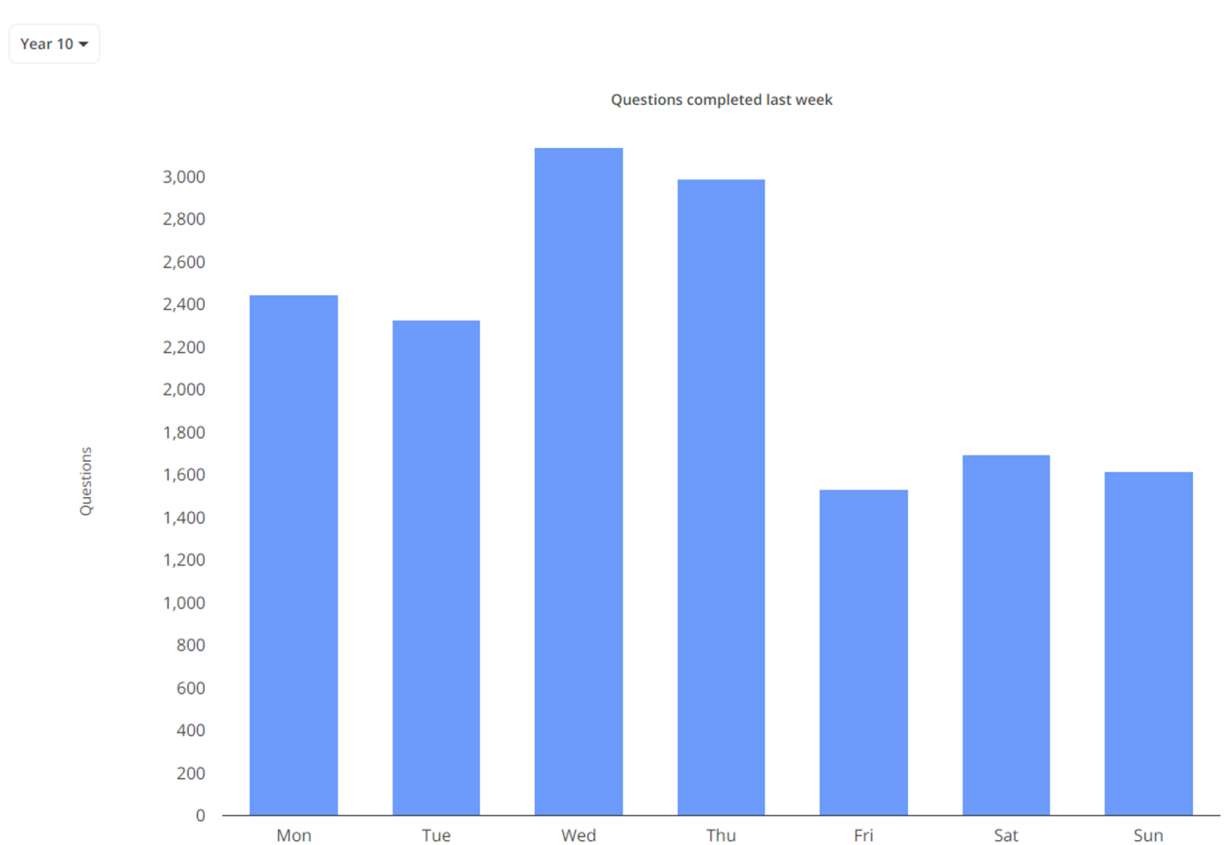

Microsoft Teams

 **TASSOMAI**
The Learning Program

Dr Frost MATHS

Tassomai – daily science homework

- ▶ Minimum 4 daily goals.
- ▶ 2 daily goals or less = detention



Careers – What is next?

Careers at Holy Family

- Work Experience – Year 11
- Careers Fair
- Guest Speakers
- Individual careers meetings with our careers lead
- Creating a plan for what is next

Career Pathways



Support network.

- ▶ Mrs Routledge – Progress Leader
- ▶ Mr Nutman – Achievement Lead
- ▶ Mrs Bosanquet- SENDCO
- ▶ Mrs Powell - Attendance
- ▶ Careers advice

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