

1st October 2026

Dear Parent / Carer,

I wanted to inform you of the Pre-Public Exams (PPEs) that are due to take place during the 2nd and 19th of November 2026. *(Please note, there are some language exams and some practical exams that sit slightly outside of this window).*

These PPEs will enable students to have the vital opportunity to practice the skills, technique and application of knowledge required under exam conditions in order to be successful in their summer exam session.

Attached at the end of this letter is the timetable for the exam fortnight.

These exams will be run in a very similar way to actual exams in that they will take place in the sports hall, be invigilated by external staff and follow all JCQ examination guidelines with all appropriate measures in place. Students with agreed access arrangements will receive details of their arrangements nearer the time of their exams.

Students will need to continue to come in for all of their lessons as normal during the exam period. Full attendance each day is expected - there is NO STUDY LEAVE.

Students can access all support, revision materials and revision guidance from their subject teachers during their normal timetabled lessons.

You can help your son/daughter in the following ways as well:

1. Knowing when their exams are
2. Providing a quiet space for them to be able to revise from
3. Checking their revision timetable
4. Asking them each day what revision they have done
5. Ensuring their full attendance to school each day and to all of their PPEs
6. Ensuring that they are on time each day

There is an in school Parents Evening on 14th of January 2027 where you will be able to talk to subject teachers about your child's progress and performance on their PPEs.

If there are any concerns or any queries you may have regarding the exam process please do not hesitate to get in touch with your son/daughters Form Tutor in the first instance.

I am sure that with your support, working together, we can secure the very best outcomes for your son/daughter this Summer.

Your faithfully,

Mrs J Surani
Deputy Headteacher



NORTHWOOD

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Year 11							
	Day	Date	Yr Group	Subject	Period	Length	Content (please be specific about what students should revise)
Wk1	Thurs	15th October	11	French & Spanish writing	5+6	Foundation - 1hr 10mins Higher - 1hr 15mins	Units 1-6 Foundation: Photocard, 50-word task, grammar fill-in-the-gap, translation sentences & 90-word task Higher: translation sentences, 90-word & 150-word
Wk1	Wed	4th Nov	11	Business	1+2	1hr 45mins	Theme 1 and Topic 2.1
	Wed	4th Nov	11	Religious Studies	5+6	1hr 45mins	Paper A - Christianity: Christian Beliefs, Marriage and the Family, Living the Christian Life, Matters of Life and Death
	Thurs	5th Nov	11	English literature	1+2	2hrs 15mins	Literature Paper 2 ('An Inspector Calls', Power and Conflict Poetry, Unseen Poetry)
	Thurs	5th Nov	11	Geography	5+6	1hr 30mins	Mix of Paper 1 and Paper 2 (Urban issues and challenges, living world - hot deserts and tropical rainforests, rivers and coasts)
	Fri	6th Nov	11	Maths	2+3	1hr 30mins	Paper 1 - Non-calculator - 'Topic list to be issued on Satchel by 16th October'
	Fri	6th Nov	11	Chemistry (Triple science)	4+5	1hr 45mins	Chemistry paper 1 (topics 1-5)
	Fri	6th Nov	11	Chemistry (combined science)	4+5	1hr 15mins	Chemistry paper 1 (topics 1-5)
Wk 2	Mon	9th Nov	11	Design & Technology	1+2	2 hours	Design & Technology Written Paper Unit 1 (Core Technical Principals, Specialist Technical Principals, Design & Making Principals)
	Mon	9th Nov	11	Computer Science	5+6	1 hour	Paper 1 - Computer Systems (CPU structure, memory and storage, data representation, networks & Ethics)
	Tues	10th Nov	11	Health & Social Care	1+2	1hr 30mins	Component 3 - health indicators, life stages, life events, PIES. Factors affecting growth & development
	Tues	10th Nov	11	Economics	5+6	1hr 30mins	Paper 1 - Theme 1 and 2
	Wed	11th Nov	11	French - Listening & Reading	1+2	Foundation: 35mins + 45 mins Higher: 45 mins + 1hr	Reading -> Units 1-6 Listening -> Units 1-6 + some unseen units 7-9
	Wed	11th Nov	11	Sport GCSE	5+6	1hr 15mins	Paper 1- Applied anatomy and Physiology and Physical training. Paper 2- Social Cultural issues and sport Psychology
	Thurs	12th Nov	11	Computer Science	1+2	1 hour	Paper 2 Algorithms and Programming (programming constructs, algorithms - sorting algorithms, flowcharts & trace tables)
	Fri	12th Nov	11	Sport REFC	1+2	1hr 30mins	Component 3
Wk1	Mon	16th Nov	11	Maths	1+2	1hr 30mins	Paper 2 - Calculator 'Topic list to be issued on Satchel by 16th October'
	Mon	16th Nov	11	Drama	5+6	1hr 15mins	Component 3 Section A (DNA)
	Tues	17th Nov	11	Physics (triple science)	1+2	1hr 45mins	Physics paper 1 (topics 1-4)
	Tues	17th Nov	11	Physics (combined science)	1+2	1hr 15mins	Physics paper 1 (topics 1-4)
	Wed	18th Nov	11	Spanish - Listening & Reading	1+2	Foundation: 35mins + 45 mins Higher: 45 mins + 1hr	Reading -> Units 1-6 Listening -> Units 1-6 + some unseen units 7-9
	Wed	18th Nov	11	Sport GCSE	5+6	1hr 15mins	Paper 2- Social Cultural issues and sport Psychology
	Thurs	19th Nov	11	History	1+2	1hr 50mins	Superpowers and Elizabeth (both taken together).
	Thurs	19th Nov	11	Music	5+6	1hr 15mins	Component 3
	Fri	20th Nov	11	English language	1+2	1 hour 45 mins	Language Paper 1 (Creative reading and writing)

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	Yr 11 - French & Spanish Speaking wb: 23rd & 30th November	153	Foundation: 12mins prep time + 7-9mins exam Higher: 15 mins prep time + 10-12 mins exam		Units 1-6
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