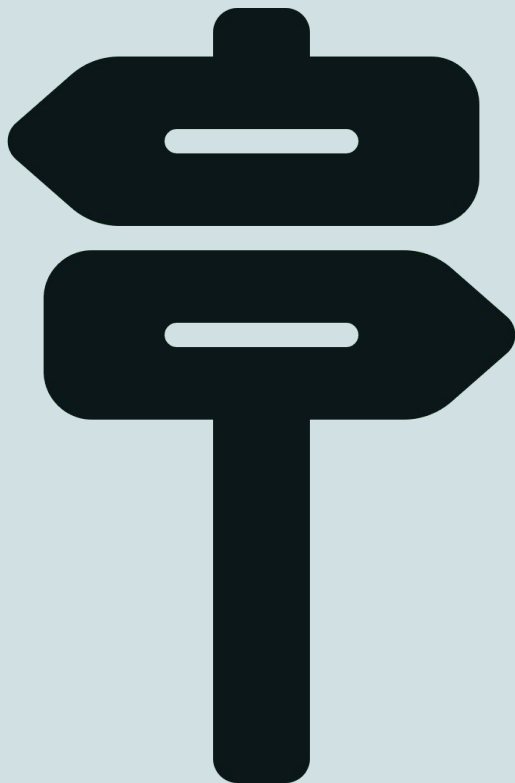


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**END OF KEY STAGE 3**

**IMPORTANT MILESTONE**

**PIVOTAL PROGRESS POINT**

**ARE YOU READY FOR KS4?**



ACQUIRE A  
KEY WORD:

## Achievement

DEFINITION:

### **Abstract Noun**

A thing done successfully with effort, skill or courage.



ETYMOLOGY:

"act of completing" (something), from French *achèvement* "a finishing," noun of action from Old French *achever* "to finish, accomplish" (see [achieve](#)). Meaning "thing achieved" is recorded from 1590s.



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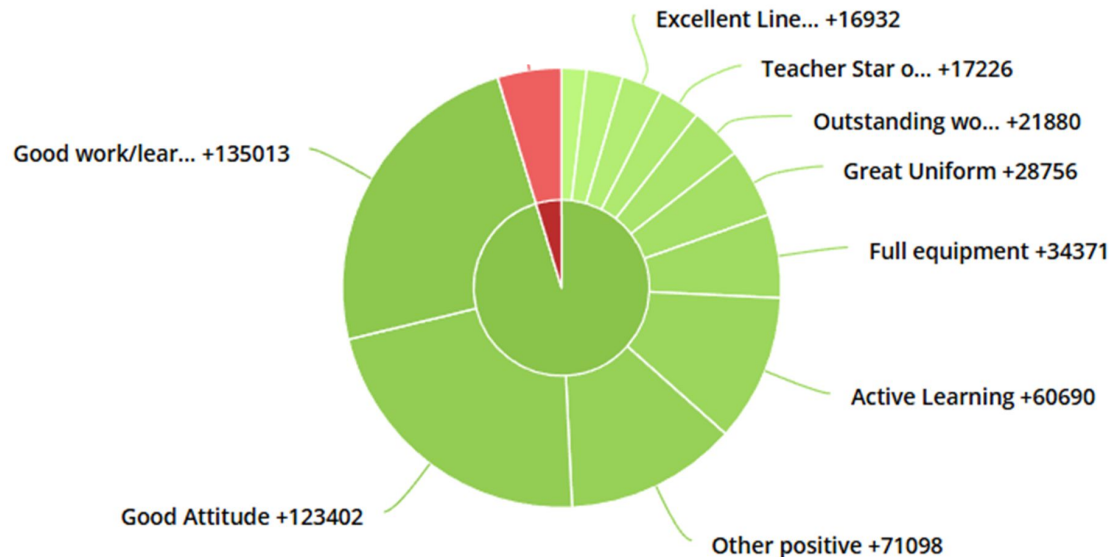
ACHIEVEMENT IN ATTENDANCE AND BEHAVIOUR	ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT VIA OUR SCHOOL CURRICULUM	ACHIEVING THE KINGSWAY SCHOOL CULTURAL DIPLOMA
<h1>95%</h1>		
SAVE THE DATE: MONDAY 7TH JULY 2025: DIPLOMA REVIEW DAY		

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## Whole Year KS3

01/08/2024 - 20/05/2025





# Reporting Home



Also linked to the end of the year exams, towards the end of the summer term, we will be letting you know how your child is doing in school using our new '6 As' approach. We will report on the following:

**Acquire:** How well you learn key knowledge.

**Apply:** How well you have developed key skills.

**Approach:** How you approach your learning.

**Attain:** How well you perform in formal assessments.

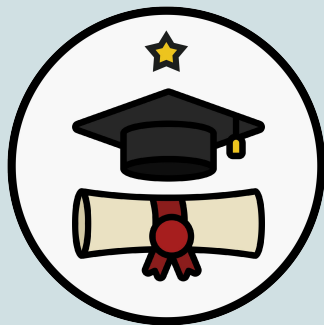
**Aspire:** How well you achieve in relation to your targets

**Attend:** How well you attend school and lessons.





## REPORTED AT THE END OF THE YEAR



ATTAIN

THIS SCORE IS CALCULATED USING YOUR PERFORMANCE ON FORMAL ASSESSMENTS, FOR MOST SUBJECTS THIS WILL BE YOUR 'END OF YEAR' TESTS OR EXAMS.

YOUR MID-TERM **ACQUIRE** AND **APPLY** SCORES WILL GIVE YOU A CLUE ABOUT WHAT SCORE YOU PREVIOUSLY WORKING AT.

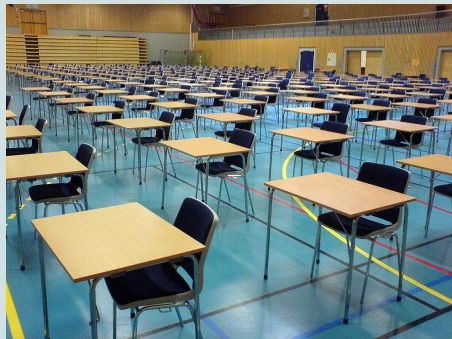


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## Year 9 Exams: 23rd June 2025

- Formal 'End of Key Stage' assessments.
- These will take place in Foxland Sports Hall for most students.
- Year 9 Revision & Exam Skills assemblies to prepare students.
- Form time activities to support students with how to revise.
- 'Booster Sessions' for those that need additional support.



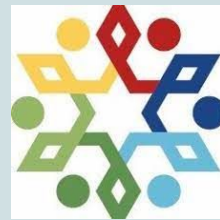




WE REPORT HOW YOU ARE DOING ON  
A FIVE POINT SCALE



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1

A **ONE** on the scale will mean that you are quite far off where we hope you would be for your age - it will usually mean you need extra support.

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2

A **TWO** on the scale will mean that you are close the level we would expect you to be working at for your age but will need to work on some targets to get there.



**3**

A **THREE** on the scale will mean that you are working at the standard we would expect for your age and are learning well.

**At GCSE this would be a grade 4 - 6.**

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4

A **FOUR** on the scale will mean that you are working at a higher level than many people at your age and are learning at a deep level (top 20% nationally).

**At GCSE this would be a grade 7.**

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**5**

A **FIVE** on the scale will mean that you are **WELL ABOVE** many people at your age and are learning at a very high level (top 5% nationally).

**At GCSE this would be a grade 8 or 9.**

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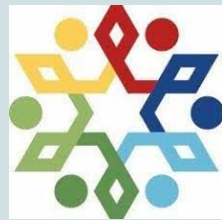


Your child will sit examinations in the following subjects:

- English (Language & Literature)
- Maths
- Science
- History
- Geography
- French
- Computing
- Design & Technology



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Exam 1: Hamlet

Essay Style Response. Potential topics: Power, Hamlet, Claudius

Exam 2:

English Exam

Non-Fiction Writing

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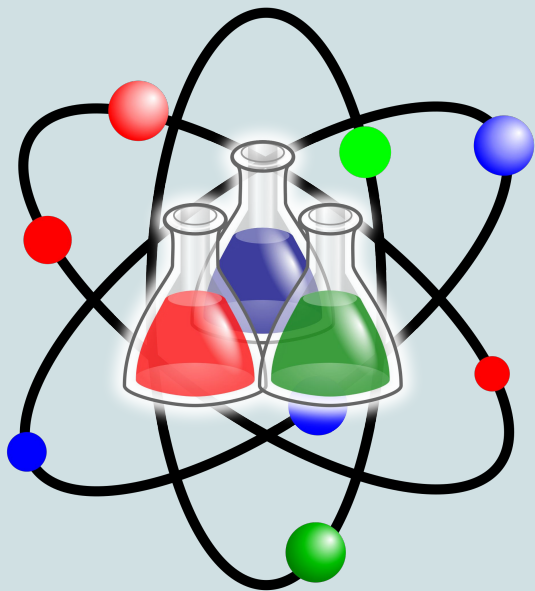
Maths Exam

## One Exam: Calculator Paper

### Possible Topics

- Straight Line Graphs
- Forming and solving equations and inequalities
- Numerical and algebraic conjectures
- Three-dimensional shapes
- Constructions and congruence
- Using different types of number
- Percentages
- Problems using money
- Angle rules and deduction
- Rotation and translation
- Pythagoras' Theorem

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Science Exam

**Two** 45 min exams:

**Paper 1**- 30 multiple choice Acquire questions and a short Apply section.

**Paper 2** - Apply section either foundation or higher.

**Biology:** Cells

**Chemistry:** Atomic Structure and the Periodic Table

**Physics:** Energy

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French Exam

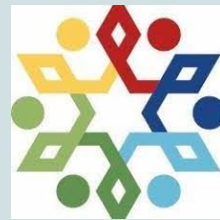
One exam (45 minutes):

Reading and Translation assessment.

**Topics:**

- Festivals.
- Food.
- Media - TV, Cinema and Online.

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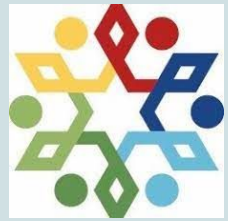
Spanish Exam

One exam (45 minutes):  
Reading and Translation Assessment.

**Topics:**

- Free time activities.
- School.
- Where I live.

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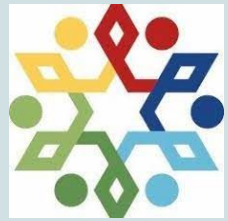
History Exam

One Exam (1 hour): Written Paper

**Topics:**

- Jack the Ripper
- The inter war years, 1918-39
- Hitler in Germany
- The Cold War

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Geography Exam

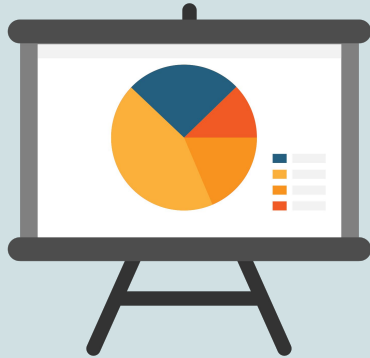
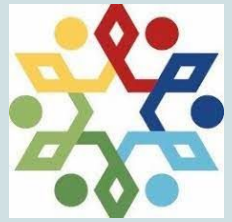
One Exam: Written Paper

**Topics:**

- Ecosystems
- Tropical Rainforests
- Hot Deserts
- River Landscapes



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## Design Technology Exam

One Exam: Written Paper

### Topics:

- Food and nutrition
- Product Design
- Designing skills, 2D and 3D

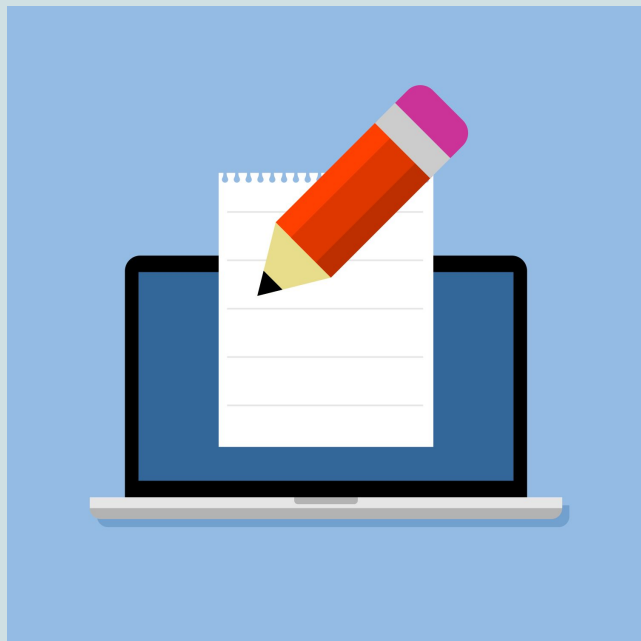
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Support offered by school:

- Revision skills assembly
- Revision booklet
- Google Classroom
- Booster Sessions
- Post-school Revision
- Revision Videos
- Exam preparation lessons

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## PLAN. PLAN. PLAN.



Successful students often plan revision schedules or timetables for outside of school.

This helps them to be able to recall and apply key knowledge under the pressure of an examination.

There are a few well proven techniques out there...

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<div>  <b>Revision Timetable</b>  </div>							
Week Beginning _____							
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Morning 1							
Break							
Morning 2							
Break							
Afternoon 1							
Break							
Afternoon 2							
Break							
Evening							

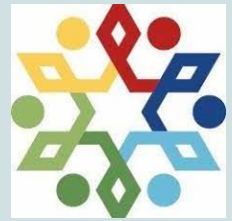
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Students will be working on revision timetables next week...

REVISION							
TIME	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
8:30-4:30	school	school	school	school	school	*	*
4:30-5:00	media	chemistry	media	maths	english	maths*	=
5:00-5:30	english	chemistry	media	maths	english	maths*	=
5:30-6:00	=	=	maths	english	media	=	=
6:00-6:30	english	english	=	=	=	=	=
6:30-7:00	maths	english	=	=	chemistry	=	=
7:00-7:30	=	=	english	chemistry	=	*	biology
7:30-8:00	=	=	physics	chemistry	=	*	media
8:00-8:30	maths	biology	=	=	chemistry	english	=
8:30-9:00	maths	maths	maths	biology	physics	english	=
9:00-9:30	=	=	=	=	=	=	=
9:30-10:00	biology	maths	biology	biology	phys*	=	=
10:00-10:30	media	physics	biology	media	phys*	=	=

\* = revise if possible  
 == = no revision/break

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Alex Quigley outlines 10 Strategies for great revision... some of these will work with some subjects more than others...

[FROM 'THE CONFIDENT TEACHER' BLOG](#) (CLICK FOR LINK)

Alex Quigley: Content Manager EEF

- 1.Quizzing
- 2.Flash cards
- 3.Graphic Organisers
- 4.Cornell Note Taking
- 5.Exam Wrappers
- 6.Just a Minute
- 7.Prepare to Teach
- 8.Select Elect
- 9.Topic Ranking
- 10.Past Questions

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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. 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.





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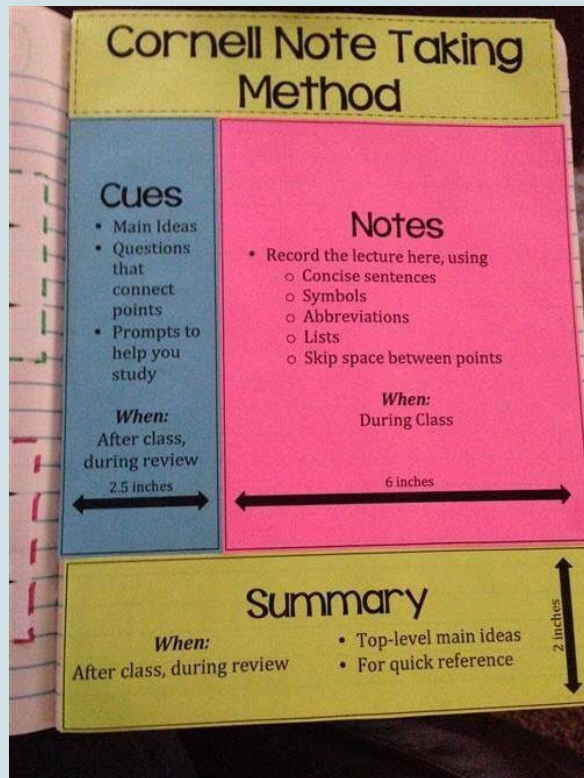
Revision cards are a very common method of revision. They can be used to summarise essential knowledge and make it stick.

They are most effective when pupils use them for self testing using the method below or something similar.





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Cornell notes pages are a common note taking method that supports recall. You can put recall clues in the margin and your main notes and summary can also be included.

This method of note taking also supports the self testing technique below...



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