

Year 8 Exams – Revision Support

Year 8 examinations in core subjects (English, Maths and Science) will take place in the main hall in the week commencing **Monday 2nd to Friday 6th December**. The table below identifies the subject areas that will be assessed, what your child needs to revise and how you can support them at home with this. Foundation subject exams will be directed by the class teacher and may take place before the exam period identified above. Examination times range from 45 -60 minutes.

Subject	Revision Topics	What support is available?
Art 55 mins	In lesson assessments	You will be assessed on your practical drawing skills and need to remember what the formal elements are.
Computing 50 mins	Text-Based Programming with Python Summative Assessment Assessment will be completed online in your CB classroom. Turtle Programming (Python) & Turtle robot control commands including drawing shapes with Python's turtle Variables and Data Types & Creating, changing, and copying variables Using numbers in variables Using strings and selecting parts of strings & Getting string input from the keyboard Expressions: What they are and how to create them Comments: Describing code with #comments While loop: How it works and examples For loop: What it is and how it looks	Half Term 1a and 1b Knowledge Organisers on Showbie Complete set assignments on https://app.senecalearning.com Review previous lessons work on Showbie BBC Bitesize Revision on: What is programming? - Introduction to programming - KS3 Computer Science Revision - BBC Bitesize BBC Bitesize Revision on: Arithmetic - Programming basics - KS3 Computer Science Revision - BBC Bitesize BBC Bitesize Revision on: Iteration - Iteration in programming - KS3 Computer Science Revision - BBC Bitesize BBC Bitesize Revision on: Selection - Selection in programming - KS3 Computer Science Revision - BBC Bitesize
Design and Technology 45 mins	Students need to revise the main topics that they have covered this year, in the various material areas they have studied: Tools Design Process Materials Research Safety Students will also complete a design question to test their understanding of design development.	Revise the knowledge organiser provided. Materials available on Showbie Knowledge organisers on the Academy website and Showbie

<p>English 1 hour 15 minutes</p>	<p>What kind of character is Sherlock Holmes? Written exam based on Sherlock Holmes. You will be expected to show your reading and analysis skills. A Scandal in Bohemia, The Red Headed league, The Blue Carbuncle, plot, key characters, key quotes, any relevant context. To prepare, revise key language device terminology. Know how to spot and use things like adjectives, metaphors, similes, etc Ask your teacher for revision resources if you are unsure.</p>	<p>Knowledge organisers – Showbie Planning notes from planning lessons. This will be a printout that you will have worked on in lesson Seneca courses Review lessons on Showbie. Revising how to write analytically. Analysis: what it is and how to do it guide for KS3 English students - BBC Bitesize</p>
<p>French 25 minutes per skill</p>	<p>All topics taught this academic year (Modules 1 and 2)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holidays and past tense activities • Festivals and celebrations <p>Reading and writing skills assessed in main exam. Speaking and listening skills to be assessed in lesson time.</p> <p>Students need to demonstrate comprehension skills and basic tools in writing, such as the ability to use verbs and tenses effectively.</p> <p>Tip – Make full use of the WAGOLLS provided</p>	<p>Knowledge Organiser on the VLE / Showbie to support revision.</p> <p>Pearson Activelearn (ask your teacher for login details)</p>
<p>Geography 55 minutes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development • China (Location, Physical and Human Characteristics) 	<p>Lessons are on Showbie along with Knowledge Organisers.</p>
<p>History 55 minutes</p>	<p>The Tudors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Henry VII • Henry VIII • Reforms of the Church in England • Edward and Mary’s reign • Black Tudors 	<p>Y8 Knowledge organiser- Showbie Lesson resources on Showbie The Tudors - KS3 History - BBC Bitesize</p>

<p>Maths</p> <p>X1 exam-calculator allowed</p> <p>50 minutes</p>	<p>Percentages -Percentages of amounts -Percentage change</p> <p>Money -Calculating with money</p> <p>Indices -index laws</p> <p>Equations -solving two step -solving three step equations</p> <p>Sequences -term-to-term rule -position-to-term rule</p> <p>Ratio -simplifying ratio -sharing into a ratio -scale diagrams</p>	<p>Lessons on Showbie Revision list on Showbie Revision workbook on Showbie Revision activities on Sparx maths</p>
<p>Music</p> <p>55 minutes</p>	<p>The Blues and Elements of Music.</p>	<p><u>The Orme Academy Students - Dr-Smith-explained Year 8.pdf - All Documents (sharepoint.com)</u> The Blues listening key assessment task will take place in lesson. Teachers will prepare students for this. Features will include recognising musical instruments and elements of music, namely tempo, dynamics, tonality & texture.</p>
<p>RE</p>	<p>Hinduism:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Holi - Naming Ceremony - Sacred Thread Ceremony - Marriage - River Ganges - Hindu Temples 	<p>Assessment will take place in class. Revise using the Hinduism knowledge organiser provided by your teacher, on Showbie and on the Academy website</p>
<p>PE</p>	<p>Practical assessments completed during lesson time.</p>	

<p>Science</p> <p>50 minute exams</p>	<p>Biology – Tissues and organs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The skeleton • Muscles • The respiratory system • Breathing • Gas exchange • Drugs • Organ donation <p>Chemistry – Acids and alkalis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The pH scale • Indicators • Neutralisation • Making salts • Acids and metal carbonates 	<p>Lesson on Showbie</p> <p>Knowledge organisers on Showbie</p> <p>Sparx Science</p>
<p>Performing Arts</p> <p>55 minutes</p>	<p>Practical session to be explained by your teacher.</p>	<p>Knowledge organisers in student booklet / Quizzing of key terms / Feedback practice in lessons.</p>