

Year 10 End of Year Exams

Dear Parent/carer,

The year has flown by and the time has come to focus on the end of year exams. These are play a crucial role in preparing the Year 10 students for their final GCSE exams this time next year and gives them an opportunity to experience formal exam conditions.

The end of year exams for the core subjects will be taking place in the gyms under formal exam conditions and rules. Mobile telephones, smartwatches and any other electronic devices must be placed in their bags, which are then securely locked away for the duration of the exam. Bottles of water taken into the examination rooms must be transparent and not have labels on them and pencil cases must also be clear.

The results of these exams will play a crucial part in deciding class sets for the start of Year 11 and it is hoped that your son/daughter has already started preparing. Attached to this letter is a list of recommended revision guides for the majority of subjects should your son/daughter not have previously purchased these.

The results of the end of year tests will be one of the factors used to place students in Science groups for next year. The top 60 students in the Year group will study for GCSEs in Biology, Chemistry and Physics, leading to three separate GCSE grades. The remaining students will study for a GCSE in Combined Science, where students cover less content in all three sciences, leading to a double award GCSE with two separate grades. Both pathways provide access to A Level Science courses.

DATE START TIME	YEAR 10 GCSE MOCK EXAM TIMETABLE JUNE 2019	DURATION
Tuesday 18 th June 1pm start (P4-5)	MATHS - PAPER 1 - NON CALCULATOR	1 HOUR 30 MINS
Wednesday 19 th June 1pm start (P4-5)	SCIENCE - CHEMISTRY	1 HOUR 10 MINS
Thursday 20 th June 1pm start (P4-5)	SCIENCE - BIOLOGY	1 HOUR 10 MINS
Friday 21 st June 9am start (P1 – 2)	MATHS - PAPER 2 - CALCULATOR	1 HOUR 30 MINS
Friday 21 st June 1pm start (P4-5)	SCIENCE - PHYSICS	1 HOUR 10 MINS
Monday 24 th June 9am start (P1-2)	ENGLISH	1 HOUR 45 MINS

In addition to these core exams, additional exams will take place in all other subject areas; these will be classroom based exams and take place during normal lesson times for that subject. The majority of these exams will take place between Monday 17th June and Friday 5th July.

GCSE Subject Revision Guide List 2018-20

Exam board details and recommended revision guides 2018-19

Subject	GCSE/A level / BTEC etc.	Exam Board	Recommended revision guides
Business	GCSE (9-1)	Edexcel	Edexcel GCSE (9-1) Business (Text book) ISBN 978-1-292-17984-1 Revise Edexcel GCSE (9-1) Business Revision Guide
Citizenship Studies.	GCSE	AQA or Edexcel	No guides yet available as new spec has left publishers way behind. First exam in 2019.
DT Graphics	GCSE level 2	AQA	GCSE AQA D and T Revision guide CGP ISBN9781782947523
DT Mechatronics	GCSE level 2	AQA	GCSE AQA D and T Revision guide CGP ISBN9781782947523
DT Resistant Materials	GCSE level 2	AQA	GCSE AQA D and T Revision guide CGP ISBN9781782947523
DT Textiles	GCSE level 2	AQA	GCSE AQA D and T Revision guide CGP ISBN9781782947523
Engineering	GCSE level 2	AQA	GCSE AQA D and T Revision guide CGP ISBN9781782947523
Food and nutrition	GCSE level 2	AQA	GCSE AQA Food preparation and nutrition revision guide CGP ISBN 9781782946496
French	GCSE	AQA	CGP ISBN: 978 1 78294 539 0
Geography GCSE	GCSE (9-1)	AQA	CGP GCSE AQA Geography for the 9-1 course
German	GCSE	AQA	CGP ISBN: 978 1 78294 548 2
History	GCSE	Edexcel	Available at a very good rate via department – Pearson Edexcel GCSE (9-1) – 1 each of Anglo Saxon and Norman England/Weimar Germany/Crime and Punishment/Superpower relations and the Cold War.
Computer Science	GCSE	OCR	GCSE Computer Science for OCR Student Book Author: David Waller (Author) and Ann Weidmann (Course consultant) ISBN: 9781316504031
English Language	GCSE	AQA	There is a massive range of revision guides, it really needs to reflect what suits the individual. Providing they are for the AQA specification and not Edexcel etc.
English Literature	GCSE	AQA	There is a massive range of revision guides, it really needs to reflect what suits the individual. Ensure they are for the AQA specification and not Edexcel etc. The York Notes seem really accessible and have workbooks to go with them. They are available for all the texts we study: Lord of the Flies, Jekyll and Hyde, Macbeth and Conflict Poetry.

Maths	GCSE	Edexcel	Pearson's 'Edexcel (9 – 1)' revision guide & workbook available from the Maths Department Office. They also have online access to Collins Connect and MyMaths.
Media	GCSE	AQA	Resources for each unit available as a download via mediaedu. Student booklet will be created for students to print. Nothing published yet.
PE BTEC	BTEC Tech Award	Pearson	BTEC Tech Award-Sport-Student-Sports-Leadership
Physical Education	GCSE	OCR	My revision notes. OCR GCSE (9-1) PE 2 nd Edition.
Psychology	GCSE	AQA	AQA Psychology for GCSE: Revision Guide (Picture of a boy on the front cover) (New Spec)
Science: Biology	GCSE	Edexcel	New Grade 9-1 GCSE Biology: Edexcel Revision Guide with Online Edition ISBN 978 1 78294 571 0
Science: Chemistry	GCSE	Edexcel	New Grade 9-1 GCSE Chemistry: Edexcel Revision Guide with Online Edition ISBN 978 1 78294 572 7
Science: Physics	GCSE	Edexcel	New Grade 9-1 GCSE Physics: Edexcel Revision Guide with Online Edition ISBN 978 1 78294 573 4
Spanish	GCSE	AQA	CGP ISBN: 978 1 78294 554 3

Kind Regards

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