



Monday 11th February

Year 10 Assessment Week Monday 4th March – Friday 8th March

Dear Parent/Guardian

With the upcoming assessment week starting on the Monday 4th March, we wanted to take this opportunity to explain the procedures for the week and notify you of the assessment timetable which will take place for your son/daughter in year 10.

As mentioned in the Year 10 Curriculum evening the assessment weeks have been introduced to prepare students for long-term memory and retention skills whilst being able to cope with multiple exams similar to what they will experience in the newly reformed GCSE's which are more challenging and assessed mainly via an exam at the end of the two years. This week is also designed to help students develop their revision skills and explore suitable methods which work best for them.

Process:

- All teaching within lessons will be suspended. An exam timetable has been created for each year group (see below).

	1	2	3	4	5
Monday	Art/Drama Only Option Q	Option Q	Music/Drama/Art Only Option P	Option P	
Tuesday		English		Science 1	
Wednesday		Maths 1		Option Q – Paper 2 Art & History	Science 2
Thursday		Option R		Option P – Paper 2 Art & History	Science 3
Friday		Maths 2		Option R – Paper 2 All MFL & History	

- When not in an assessment, students will be in their normal lessons and be given independent revision time to prepare for their assessments. It is therefore important that students bring materials from which to revise from during these lessons.
- Assessments will mainly be completed in the hall or gym in order to best prepare students for their upcoming GCSEs. The exceptions are Art, Drama, Music and the 2nd MFL exam which will take place in their normal classrooms. Access arrangements will be available for students.
- Exams are to be synoptic with content from throughout the year.



- Students will receive a Question Level Analysis (QLA) feedback (where appropriate) in the weeks following the assessments and will be expected to review and reflect on their outcomes, carrying out green pen improvements to learn from mistakes.

Students will be reminded in more detail about the assessment week in their subjects and mentoring next week and given guidance on key skills to improve their revision techniques to prepare for their assessments.

There will be some guides on the school website to aid students. In addition, some really useful websites for revision tips can be found on the BBC Bitesize website:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/highlights/curations/zpbdxfr>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/education/levels/z4kw2hv>

Maths

<http://www.mymaths.co.uk>

<https://mathsapp.pixl.org.uk/>

Science

<https://www.tassomai.com/>

PE

<https://theeverlearner.com/>

General Subjects

<https://www.gcsepod.com/>

<https://www.senecalearning.com/>

We would like to thank you for your continued support and wish the students well with their preparation and for their assessments.

Yours Sincerely,

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