

Easter Preparation for Exams

Dear Parent/Carer/Guardian,

Now that we are approaching the final term when our students will sit their GCSE exams, I am sure that many of them will be planning to revise. How they spend their time in revision can have a significant impact on the effectiveness of the revision. Revision must be purposeful, during the next half term we will be spending time working with year 11 to help them revise effectively. However, we do expect that many of our year 11 students will want to start revising over Easter, and to help with that many of our teachers have given up their own holiday time to run session at school. At the back of this letter is a timetable of the Easter revision sessions. Below is some useful guidance to make sure that our students make good use of their revision time but still return refreshed after ready for their exams in May. Along with our Easter revision I have also included a timetable of sessions at lunchtime and afterschool, there is also one last revision workshop on the 16th April that will delivered by the Learning Presenters.

Plan your revision

It is essential to plan revision around activities and commitments that the year 11s already have. Consider the number of subjects and the topics needed to revise and create a timetable that is realistic and effective. On the reverse of this letter is a blank revision timetable that the students can use to plan their half term revision.

It is very important to find time to socialize with friends and connect with other people, so plan the revision around opportunities and activities where you can be around friends and family.

Take Breaks

Taking regular and effective breaks during revision is vital in allow the information you have revised to sink in, make sure you are doing things you enjoy and can refresh you mind for the next session.

Revise, Recover and Test

Following short breaks make sure you test yourself on the topics you have just studied, do not do this immediately after the revision but after a short 15 minutes break.

Here are some links to useful websites that have good advice about revision and wellbeing:

<https://bestforyou.org.uk/how-to-take-a-successful-revision-break/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zw8qpbk>

The most effective preparation for every child is engaging well in every lesson and in the varied tasks and challenges set. In lessons, their teachers will be planning activities that include many revision techniques, including revision cards, mind maps and retrieval techniques. There are also other useful websites such as BBC Bitesize, and students can review prior school lessons through Google Classrooms.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>

<https://classroom.google.com/>

If you have any concerns or questions about your child's progress or how you can support them in achieving their potential, please get in touch with school.

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Revision Support 2026

February – March Half Term

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
13:35 – 14:10	ICT: Exam revision (NH)	Week A English literature revision History Drop in Revision (SH)	Business: Exam Revision (NH)		Week A English literature revision
15:20 – 16:20	Performing Arts 15:20 – 16:00 (CR)	Performing Arts 15:20 – 16:00 (CR)	Performing Arts 15:20 – 16:00 (CR) Geography 15:20 – 16:00 (TB)	Business 15:20 – 16:20 (RLR)	Performing Arts 15:20 – 16:00 (CR)

Easter Holiday Revision Support 2026

	Monday 30 th	Tuesday 31 st	Wednesday 1 st	Thursday 2 nd	Friday
AM	(Community Event)	English Language and Literature (BH) 10am – 12:00pm Maths & Numeracy (CF & LY) 10am- 12:00pm.	Biology and Chemistry (KT & MW) 9-10:30am Chemistry & Physics (MW & DH) 11-12:30pm History (SH) 10 – 12:00pm		
PM	(Community Event)	Business (RLR) 1pm – 3:00pm	Biology & Physics (KT & DW) 1pm –2:30pm		