





We are absolutely bowled over by the start Year 10 pupils have made in Media and Photography. Their work ethic, general politeness and Homework output have paved the way to making rapid progress. In Media, Photoshop skills are blossoming alongside mature and well structured essay responses. In Photography, their knowledge in Camera has been cemented through them adopting our routines and Settling in early to learn.

They have been a real pleasure to teach, so much so we really look forward to Year 10 lessons in our timetables.

Mr Palmer (Head of Media and Photography)





Our year 10 pupils have made a superb start to their GCSE Music course. They have already made substantial progress with developing their aural skills and deepening their knowledge and understanding of musical elements, and I have been impressed with their enthusiasm and interest in curating ideas for their first composition. Keep up the great work!

Mr Clarke (Head of Music)

We have over 60 pupils taking Psychology this year. They have started the course well, focusing on the topics of Memory and Perception. The two classes have taken part in lively, thought-provoking discussions about diverse topics such as visual illusions and eyewitness testimonies.

MISS PLAYER (HEAD OF PSYCHOLOGY)





Year 10 Art and Textiles pupils have made an extremely PROMISING START TO THEIR GCSE COURSES. I AM ABSOLUTELY THRILLED TO SEE SUCH COMMITMENT AND PASSION FOR THE SUBJECT AT THIS EARLY STAGE AND THE SKILLS THEY HAVE DEMONSTRATED SO FAR HAVE BEEN QUITE ASTOUNDING. THEY HAVE BEEN BRILLIANT AMBASSADORS FOR OUR SCHOOL AND VISITORS TO THE DEPARTMENT HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR DELIGHT AT THE POLITENESS AND CONFIDENCE OF OUR YEAR 10. I HAVE BEEN SUPER IMPRESSED WITH THEIR MATURITY AND INDEPENDENT THINKING BUT ABOVE ALL THEY ARE THOROUGHLY LOVELY YOUNG PEOPLE TO BE WITH. I AM REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING HOW THEY PROGRESS OVER THE REMAINDER OF THEIR TIME AT KINGS.





In English Literature this term, all pupils have been studying 'An Inspector Calls', a detective play with a ghostly twist. The standard of discussion and engagement within lessons has been excellent with pupils producing some high quality assessments using the new 'Skeleton' structure.

In English Language, pupils have been studying a series of extracts based on the theme of 'Our American Cousins' in preparation for their Year 10 mocks after Christmas. This has also involved writing creative responses based on pictures - Our pupils are clearly an imaginative group.





The large Sports Studies cohort has made a really ENCOURAGING START TO THE COURSE. THEY HAVE SPENT THE ENTIRE TERM LOOKING AT PERFORMANCE AND LEADERSHIP IN SPORT. IN THEORY LESSONS THEY HAVE ACQUIRED THE NECESSARY KNOWLEDGE TO TACKLE AND BREAKDOWN A WEIGHTY ASSIGNMENT AND IN PRACTICAL LESSONS THEY HAVE FOCUSED ON TABLE TENNIS, LOOKING CLOSELY AT ALL THE SKILLS, TECHNIQUES, TACTICS AND STRATEGIES THAT THIS ENTAILS. SOME OF THE PUPILS HAVE SHOWN EXCELLENT LEADERSHIP QUALITIES WHICH WILL PUT THEM IN GOOD STEAD WHEN THIS BECOMES THE FOCUS NEXT TERM.

Mr Birch (Head of PE)





Things are going really well in the RS department with the Year 10s starting the new AQA course. All pupils really Engaged and enjoying the course, as well as Miss Banwell and Miss Merlano. We are really impressed with the Standard of commitment and work pupils are producing. Here's looking forward to 2024 for more of the same.

MISS BANWELL (HEAD OF RS)





In Drama the Year 10 pupils have made an excellent start to THEIR GCSE COURSE. THEY HAVE APPROACHED THE SCRIPTED PIECES of 'Teechers' by John Godber with enthusiasm, showing a RANGE OF PERFORMANCE SKILLS, CREATING COMEDY FOR THE AUDIENCE. THE PUPILS HAVE ALSO COMMITTED A HUGE AMOUNT OF TIME TO DEVELOPING THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE SET TEXT 'BLOOD BROTHERS', BOTH IN LESSON TIME AND FOR HOMEWORK. THEY HAVE STARTED THE COURSE WITH REAL ENERGY, FLAIR AND ENTHUSIASM AND WE ARE SO EXCITED TO SEE HOW THEIR SKILLS AND ABILITIES WILL DEVELOP OVER THE GCSE COURSE.

MISS HAWKER (HEAD OF DRAMA)





Year 10 GCSE Design Technology pupils have shown great enthusiasm AND WILLINGNESS TO LEARN AND MADE A REALLY POSITIVE START TO BOTH Their practical and theory based lessons. They began with a short CAD COURSE AND CREATED THEIR OWN CAD/CAM LASER CUT STORAGE BOXES for their class based learning cards. They are now fabricating a RANGE OF WOOD JOINTS IN BOTH TIMBER AND MANMADE BOARD, TO CREATE bespoke desk organisers. The students are showing interest and focus IN THEIR AQA THEORY SESSIONS, ACCESSING REVISION AND HOME BASED LEARNING TO PRODUCE ENCOURAGING RESULTS IN THEIR FIRST END OF UNIT TEST ON DESIGNING PRINCIPLES.

MR CHAINEY (HEAD OF DESIGN TECHNOLOGY)





The Child Development and Health & Social Care pupils have made an exceptional start, I am really pleased with their enthusiasm, effort and attitude. They are quite honestly AMAZING! If they keep this up, they will all give themselves the best chance of gaining an incredible set of results next year.

In Health & Social Care, pupils have been learning about the importance of effective communication and the values that underpin interactions in various settings. They have made a great start with their first NEA, interviewing someone in adolescence and explaining the developmental milestones they have experienced and when.

IN CHILD DEVELOPMENT, PUPILS HAVE BEEN LEARNING ABOUT PRE-CONCEPTUAL CARE FACTORS, REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEMS, CONCEPTION AND CONTRACEPTION. THEY HAVE MADE A GREAT START WITH THEIR FIRST NEA, RESEARCHING EQUIPMENT SUITABLE FOR AN OUTDOOR PLAY AREA IN A PLAYGROUP SETTING AND WRITING ABOUT HOW TO PREVENT ACCIDENTS AND MAKE A DINING AREA IN THE PLAYGROUP AS SAFE AS POSSIBLE.

Mrs Rossiter (Head of Health & Social Care and Child Development)





Year 10 have had a fantastic start to the year and have put themselves at the forefront of the school for their engagement, focus and positive attitude. As a department, we are regularly impressed with how they conduct themselves in their Maths lessons and they should be incredibly proud of their start to the year – long may it continue!

MR DUMBLETON (HEAD OF MATHS)





In Spanish we have had a great start to year 10. Students are very enthusiastic and enjoying the theme of holidays which we have been covering. Great start of the year as we build the grammar foundations for the rest of the GCSE course.

Mr Lopez (Head of Spanish)

Well done to all of the Year 10 Italian pupils. They have been really successful with the transition from Key stage 3 to Key stage 4. They are working really hard in preparation for their first assessment. Fantastico!

Mrs Birch (Head of Italian)





I am often inspired by my Year 10 German classes. They are already rivalling some of their Year 11 peers with their knowledge of German word order and tenses.

A sense of healthy competition is developing with regard to the weekly vocab test results. Those who have found ways of overcoming their vocab learning difficulties are now coaching those who still do, as there are 1700 words to master over the two year course. A lot of them are going above and beyond, consolidating their language work through the use of the Duolingo app.

In my view, the difference between a grade 8 and a grade 9 is the passion you have for the subject. This cohort is really showing a lot of passion at the moment, so let's see where it takes us!

Mrs Wainwright (Head of German)





I have been really impressed with how serious the Year 10s are with their studies. The pupils in Business have a genuine passion for the subject and a great thirst for knowledge on the why and how businesses make certain decision. A really impressive start. Mrs Bamford (Head of Business)

Year 10 Latin pupils have transitioned into GCSE study exceptionally well. They have shown great resilience in dealing with complicated grammar and have been really enthusiastic about the civilisation element of their course - The City of Rome.

Mrs Baker (Head of Latin)





We are really pleased with the start that the Year 10 GCSE PE COHORT HAS MADE TO THE COURSE. THEY HAVE SPENT THE TERM LOOKING AT THE BODY SYSTEMS IN THEIR THEORY LESSONS AND HAVE ALSO ACQUIRED PRACTICAL GRADES ACROSS A VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES. THEY HAVE SHOWN A GREAT WILLINGNESS TO LEARN AND DEVELOP THEIR SPORTING ACUMEN. WE ASK THAT THEY CONTINUE TO BROWSE THE BBC SPORTS APP REGULARLY FOR COURSE RELATED ARTICLES AND ALSO ATTEND AS MANY EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS AS POSSIBLE TO ENHANCE THEIR PRACTICAL GRADES FURTHER.

Mr Birch (Head of PE)





The Year 10 pupils in the Food Technology department have made a GREAT START TO THEIR KEY STAGE 4 STUDIES. The GCSE class have been looking at Nutrients - Macro and Micro, THEN THE FUNCTION AND SCIENCE OF INGREDIENTS AND NOW FOOD PROVENANCE FOR THEORY LESSONS. IN PRACTICAL LESSONS, THEY HAVE COOKED A WIDE RANGE OF DISHES TO EXPAND THEIR RANGE OF SKILLS, including fresh pasta and Hollandaise sauce. It is really pleasing to see their determination and enthusiasm in these lessons. We are LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING THEIR SKILLS DEMONSTRATED IN THEIR ASSESSED WORK NEXT YEAR.

MRS WRIGHT (HEAD OF FOOD TECHNOLOGY)





The French Department is thrilled with the way Year 10 pupils have thrown themselves into their GCSE French COURSE. THEY ARE SHOWING A HIGH LEVEL OF COMMITMENT BOTH WITHIN THE CLASSROOM AND AT HOME TO LEARN AND INCLUDE A WIDE VARIETY OF VOCABULARY AND COMPLEX STRUCTURES ACROSS ALL THE FOUR SKILLS OF LISTENING, SPEAKING, READING AND WRITING. THEY ARE WELL-MANNERED, KEEN TO LEARN AND IMPROVE THEIR WORK AND FUN TO TEACH. A GREAT START TO YEAR 10, well done!

Mrs Cox (Head of French)









Head of Year – Miss H Wood

Deputy Head of Year – Mr C Breen

YEAR OFFICER – MRS S CLARK

SLT LINE MANAGER – MRS J BERRIDGE



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE DEPARTMENTS



ART		
Lawrence White	Tom Hudson	
BUSINESS		
Alex Dzikiti	Diya Nichani	
CHILD DEVELOPMENT		
Isabelle McGregor	Connie Clark	
COMPUTER SCIENCE		
Emese Read	Maxx Gorman	
DRAMA		
Emily Townley	Fraser Robertson	
ENGLISH		
Fergus Robertson	Lily Gascoyne	

FOOD TECHNOLOGY		
Felix Hoad	Ava Murley	
FRENCH		
Jemima Townsend	Megan Wright	
GEOGRAPHY		
Isla Brierley	Hector Carter	
GERMAN		
Ben McCleery	Ben Reinhold	
HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE		
Sienna Bradshaw	Lily Paine	
HISTORY		
Isabella Hu	James McAfee	



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE DEPARTMENTS



ITALIAN		
Lawrence Champic	on Isabella Creagh	
LATIN		
Robert Cross	Jaela Falcon	
MATHS		
Wolfie Jones	Reed Paterson	
MEDIA		
Seth Noott	Benji Williams	
MUSIC		
Nora Cooney	Russell Pasley	
PE		
Farrah Turvey	Myles Helyar	

PHOTOGRAPHY		
Kara Holyoake	Erin Osborne	
PSYCHOLOGY		
Bella Noble	Grace Clark	
RS		
Eve Mollison	Joe Whitehead-Smith	
SCIENCE		
Sophia Solomides	Isabelle Smith	
SPANISH		
Ollie Corrie	Emily Byron	
TECHNOLOGY		
Reece McColl	Dan Browning	



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE DEPARTMENTS



TEXTILES

Francesca Bradley

Collette Arriens



Exceptional Character Tutors



BAK/FTR		
Saffia Rae	Lilah Mollison	
DAV/KNT		
Amelie Neal	Zak Hafeez	
DVS		
Nefeli Lekkas	Mason Payne	
GRN/NKS		
Leo Krjacko	Summer Wells	
HAR/STU		
Felix Walker-Nix	Aerin Ansell	
JOS		
Bryn Gwilliam	Madison Leigh-Jones	

KNY		
Evie Pate	Elspeth Shaw	
LHO		
Freddie Langford	Luke Moreto	
РОР		
Ruby Marchmont	Mofe Eyesan	
PUD/STR		
Lois Hiscock	Reuben Macdonald	
RAH/KHL		
Chloe Moore	Monty Brindle	
RTT		
Maria Al-Khoury	Bianka Mlynkiewicz	



HOUSE TEAM



ACHIEVEMENT RECOGNITION POINTS

CREDIT = 1 POINT POSTCARD = 2 POINTS PHONE CALL = 3 POINTS

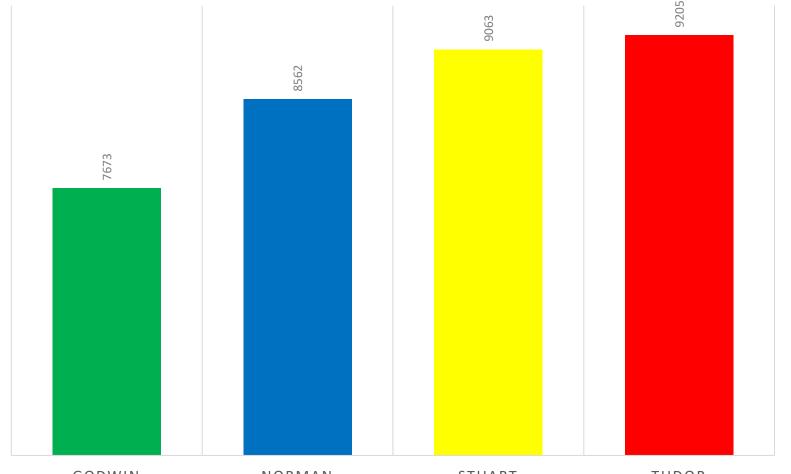
Since the start of the year, 36,283 recognition points have been issued- that's more than 100 per day!

Pupils can get recognition points for:

- Positive behaviour and attitude towards learning
- Outstanding work
- Helping others
- Positively representing the school
- Getting involved in school life



MOST RECOGNITION POINTS HOUSE



1st. Tudor 2nd. Stuart 3rd. Norman 4th. Godwin

GODWIN

NORMAN

STUART

TUDOR



MOST RECOGNITION POINTS TUTOR GROUP

587 582 578 575 570 549 522 521 517 513 157 409 HAR/STURAH/KHLBAK/FTR DAV/KETPUD/STR GRN/NKS POP DVS RTT KNY JOS LHO

YEAR 10 ACHIEVEMENT POINTS

10DAV/KET 2nd PLACE: 10LHO

3rd PLACE:

10HAR/STU

1st PLACE:



TOP ACHIEVERS THIS HALF TERM

1st PLACE:

Ava Lovegrove

INSPIRING FUTURES



EXCEPTIONAL CHARACTER

2nd PLACE:

3rd PLACE:

Lois Hiscock

Sarah Nutbeam



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

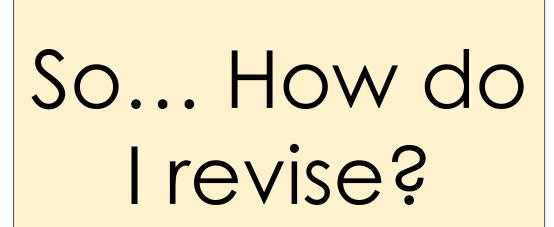




STUDY SKILLS



Growing Great Learners





Outline

• Why revise?

• Stages of revision

• Revision techniques

What are MOCKS for?

• Experience the conduct of GCSEs

• Practice GCSE-style questions

• Realise how well you are doing

Understand where you need to improve

Why revise?

EBBINGHAUS AND THE FORGETTING CURVE

Typical Forgetting Curve for Newly Learned Information



If you don't review, you forget.

Reviewing around **3 times**, with **gaps between reviews**, will reduce your chances of forgetting.



REVISION – WHAT AND WHEN?

- Revision happens in stages only over time can you effectively revise.
- By the end of the Summer have your Year
 10 work made into revision resources.
- By Christmas, February and then Easter have your Year 11 work sorted.

Stages of

revision

1, 2, 3 ... go!

• PREPARE •LEARN • APPLY

PREPARE: getting starter (the basics)

• Make a <u>realistic</u> timetable (and <u>stick to it</u>!)



• Clear your <u>desk</u>

• Get the right <u>stationary</u>

• Get hold of <u>ways to practise</u> (past papers, workbooks, checklists)

PREPARE: Now What?

- Get a drink and a snack if you need them.
- Specific goals for each session.
- <u>Do the first five minutes</u>
- Work on <u>reducing your notes</u> to a single A4 page for each exam
- <u>Take a break</u> (45-15 or 20-5)
- <u>Getting distracted?</u> Write it down. Do it later.
- Don't get it, despite trying as hard as you can? <u>Talk to your teacher!</u>
- Consider using <u>an app</u> to prevent getting distracted by your phone



Put down your phone and focus on what's more important in your life



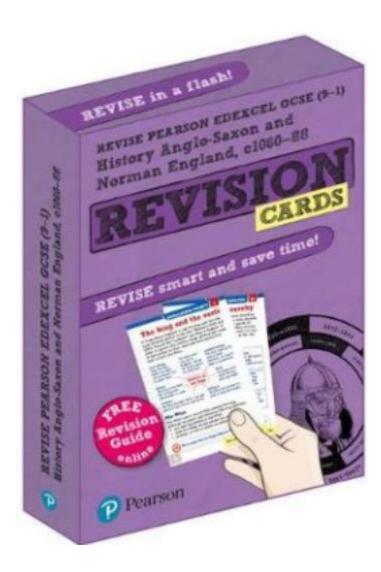
Whenever you want to focus, plant a tree.

The tree will grow in the following time.

The tree will be killed if you leave this app.

PREPARE/LEARN - making resources

- READ YOUR NOTES/ REVISION MATERIALS (REFRESH YOUR MEMORY)
- 5- MINUTE BRAIN DUMP (NO LOOKING AT NOTES) (ACTIVE RECALL)
- MIND-MAP (NO LOOKING AT NOTES) (ACTIVE RECALL)
- STOP, SAY IT OUT LOUD (NO LOOKING AT NOTES) (ACTIVE RECALL)
- WRITE POSSIBLE QUESTIONS





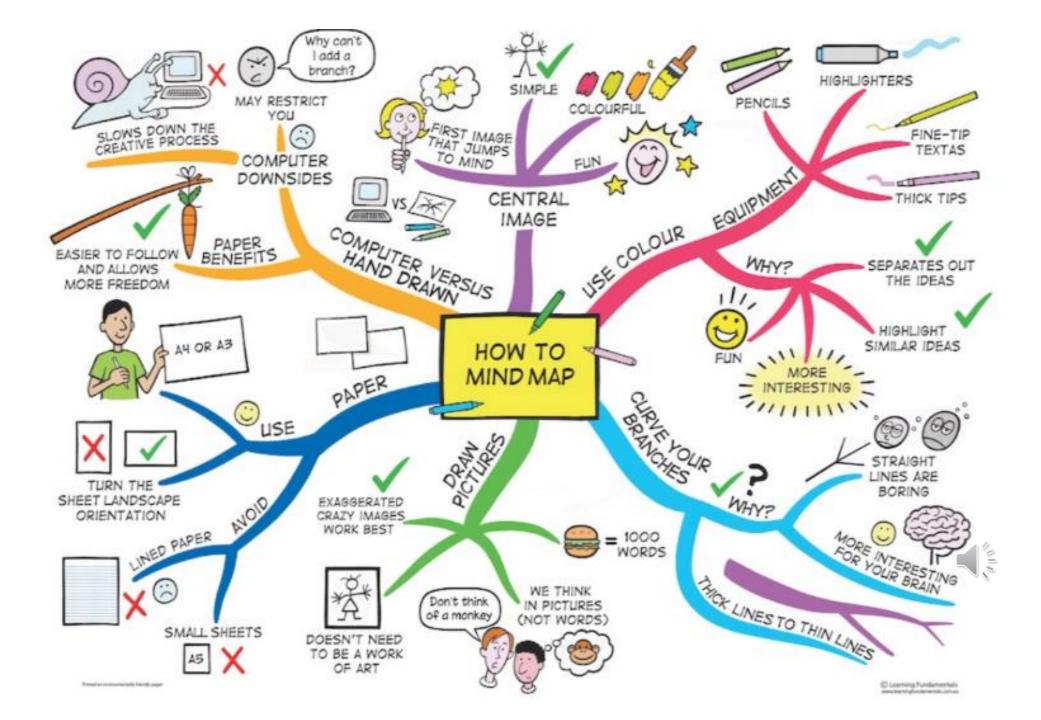
REVISION - USING CARDS (LEARN)

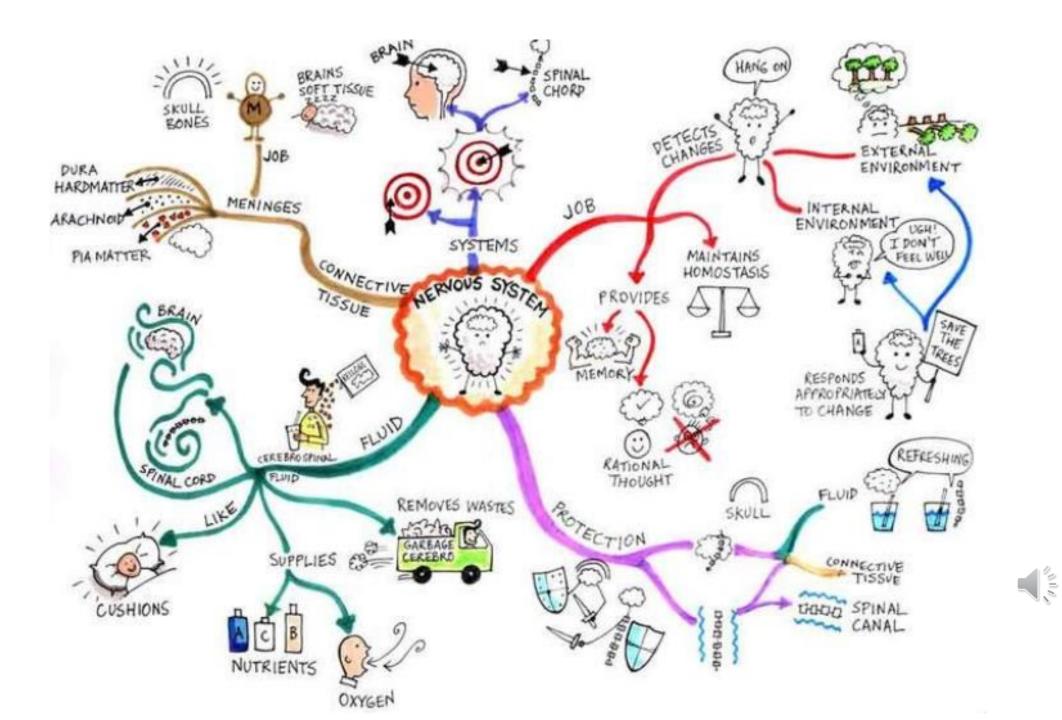
- These vary in style Q/A, bullet points, one or double-sided.
- DO NOT WASTE TIME revising what you know – if you knew it easily, put it to the back of the pack – if not, visit it again promptly.
- Great for getting people to test you if they can also read them!



MIND MAPS - WHY AND HOW? (PREPARE)

- Can be fun to make, interesting to look at and support visual memory.
- How? Use colour, words and pictures, large pieces of paper (landscape). Make lines thick to thin.
- Don't use a computer for any resources unless you will also be using one in the exam.
- Stick them somewhere you will look often.





Insanity: doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results.

- Albert Einstein

www.quotesworthrepeating.com

FINAL STAGE - APPLY YOUR LEARNING

- You will get plenty of opportunities to practise exam style questions in lessons and revision sessions, especially in Year 11.
- Use past papers and revision workbooks tackle the stuff you find the hardest (at your level)
- Get to know the mark schemes and command words for each subject.

ADVICE FROM YOUR TEACHERS

- Don't be passive in lessons.
- You can only revise what you know and understand. Ask teachers for advice on this at your level.
- Focus on one topic at a time.
- Practice makes permanent.









Monday 11th January – Friday 19th January

- EXAMS WILL BE HELD IN THE SPORTS HALL.
- Morning exams will start at 9am. Afternoon exams will start at 1pm.
- Pupils need the correct equipment. If an exam allows a calculator they must bring one (but leave the lid at home).
- NO BAGS WILL BE PERMITTED IN THE EXAM HALL. THEY MUST BE LEFT IN A LOCKER.
- All phones, headphones and watches must be left in pupil bags, otherwise they will be collected in at the exam hall and returned at the end of the exam.



MOCK EXAMS



DAY/DATE	MORNING	MORNING		
Mon 8 Jan	Media	1hr 30min	PE	1hr 15
	Sports Studies -Class Based	3hr	Accelerated PE	1hr 15
			Latin	1hr 15
Tues 9 Jan	English	1hr 45min	Religious Studies	1hr
Wed 10 Jan	Biology Combined	1hr	French Writing	1hr 10min
	Biology Triple	1hr 15min	German Writing	1hr
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			Spanish Writing	1hr 20min
Thurs 11 Jan	History	1hr	Geography	1hr
Fri 12 Jan	Maths Non Calculator	1hr	Health and Social	1hr



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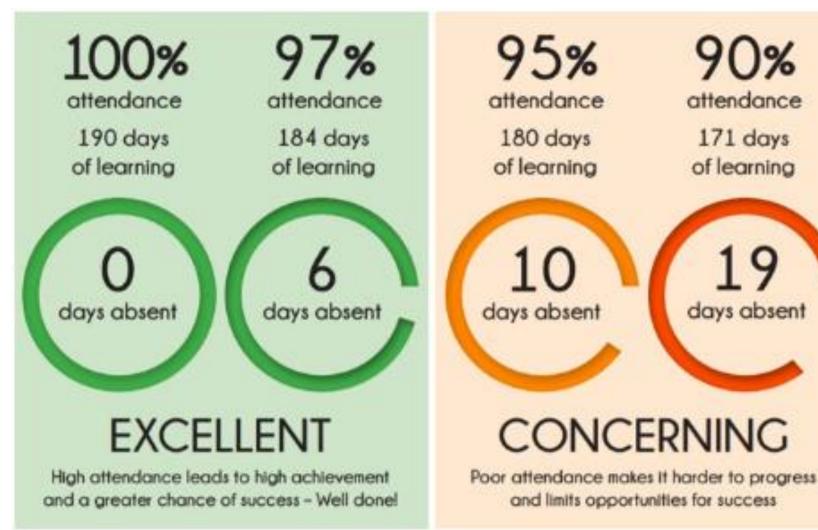


DAY/DATE	MORNING		AFTERNOON	
Mon 15 Jan	Chemistry Combined	1hr	Food & Nutrition	1hr
	Chemistry Triple	1hr 15min		
Tues 16 Jan			French Reading	45mins
	Design & Technology	1hr	German Reading	45mins
	Music – Class Based during lesson at 10.20	1hr	Italian Reading	45mins
			Spanish Reading	45mins
Wed 17 Jan	Maths Calculator Paper	1hr	Computer Science	1hr
			Child Development	1hr
Thurs 18 Jan	Physics Combined	1hr		
			BEE	1hr
	Physics Triple	1hr 15min	Psychology	1hr
Fri 19 Jan	Drama	1hr 15min		



ATTENDANCE









38 days absent

SERIOUS CONCERN

Very poor attendance seriously impacts on education and reduces life chances !







Research suggest that 17 days missed from school in an academic year equates to dropping a FULL GCSE GRADE across all subjects.

Attendance %	% Pupils gaining 5 GCSE Grades 4-9		
94% +	74.3%		
93% – 94%	60.4%		
91% - 93%	53.1%		
85% - 90%	34.7%		
84% and below	26.7%		







Edulink

This app allows you to see general information about your child. This includes attendance, rewards and behaviour information. You can also report absences through the Edulink app instead of having to phone the absence line.

SATCHEL ONE

This app includes all of our homework for pupils. It includes a 'todo list' and calendar to help pupils organise themselves. When logging in they must use the button that says "Sign in with Office 365".



WORK EXPERIENCE



PUPIL RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Find a placement
- COMPLETE AGREEMENT AND CONSENT FORMS (AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE)
- Return completed forms to Mrs Turner, Work Experience Co-ordinator
- Deadline for finding a placement and returning forms: Wednesday 31st January 2024.
- Contact your placement host six weeks before you are due to start to confirm details and if required arrange a pre-placement visit

SCHOOL RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Health & Safety Checks
- PLACEMENT APPROVAL
- SUPPORT IF YOUR PLACEMENT FALLS THROUGH



FURTHER EDUCATION



Peter Symonds Sixth Form College Taster day – Tuesday 25th June 2024

Eastleigh College

Barton Peveril Sixth Form College

Sparsholt College

Basingstoke College of Technology





CHARACTER CURRICULUM













THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR QUERIES PLEASE COME AND TALK TO US.