

Aiming For Excellence

Year 11 2026 – 2027



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Meet the Senior Leadership team

Headteacher



Mr Wright

Deputy Head
Pastoral



Mr Dollimore

Deputy Head
Curriculum



Miss MacDonald

Lay
Chaplain



Mrs Sayers

Assistant
Head



Mrs Wingham

Business
Manager



Mrs O'Shea

SENDCO



Mrs Docherty



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Key Staff



Mrs Ferris
Head of Year



Mrs Curran
Assistant Head of
Year



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Tutors

Tutors are your key point of contact:

11A Miss Hessom

11B Mr Jarratt

11C Mrs Pollard

11D Mrs O'Neill

11F Mr Gomarsall

11G Mrs Musker

Please contact tutors if you have any concerns. Issues around health, friendships, attendance or work can be addressed in the first instance by tutors. They are experienced and will know how to resolve or obtain support for most issues.



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Dates for the diary

AUTUMN TERM	Tuesday 1 September – Friday 18 December 2026
HALF TERM	26 October – 30 October 2026
SPRING TERM	Monday 4 January – Thursday 25 March 2027
HALF TERM	15 February – 19 February 2027
SUMMER TERM	Monday 12 April – Wednesday 21 July 2027
HALF TERM	31 May – 4 June 2027
INSET DAYS	Tuesday 1 September 2026 Monday 28 September 2026 Friday 27 November 2026 Thursday 25 March 2027 Monday 19 July 2027 Tuesday 20 July 2027 Wednesday 21 July 2027



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Dates for the diary

Mock Exams	16 November 2026 to 26 November
Y11 Mock Interview Evenings	20 and 22 October 2026
Y11 Reports	18 January 2027
Y11 Parent's Evening	20 January 2027
Y11 SLT Parent's Evening	15 March 2027
GCSEs	11 May 2027
Contingency Day	23 June 2027



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Careers Staff

Mrs Roberts
Head of Careers



Mrs Hamilton
Careers Assistant



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College Support



Queen Mary's College

BASINGSTOKE
COLLEGE of
TECHNOLOGY



SPARSHOLT
CAMPUS



Farnborough College
of Technology



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What are they doing in careers this year?

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Year 11	Mock Interview Evening Preparation Mock Interview Evening College Assemblies 2 nd One to One Careers Interview (if required) Future Skills Questionnaire Employer Talks	Collecting Destination Data Access to Employer Talks 2 nd One to One Careers Interview (if required)	EXAMS



Parent involvement

- Students will have talks from the colleges about how to apply.
- In October applications open for colleges and these need to be completed at home. Details on deadlines will be shared via parentmail.
- If your child needs more support during this time please let us know.
- Mock interview evening – these take place on & October. Your child will only need attend one of these at a specified time. These will be given out the week before.
- In school they will be completing their applications to the job roles, please discuss and provide support, job information is on Morrisby.



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Morrisby Careers programme

- This is a web based programme that all students have access to.
- It is linked to their school email account.
- If they forget their password – they can reset it themselves using forgotten password link.
- To support your child, you can view this with them. There is no separate parent log in.
- It has a survey they take during year 9 and year 10 that links them to job roles they might be interested in, they can also search for specific job roles or look at job roles linked to subjects they enjoy.

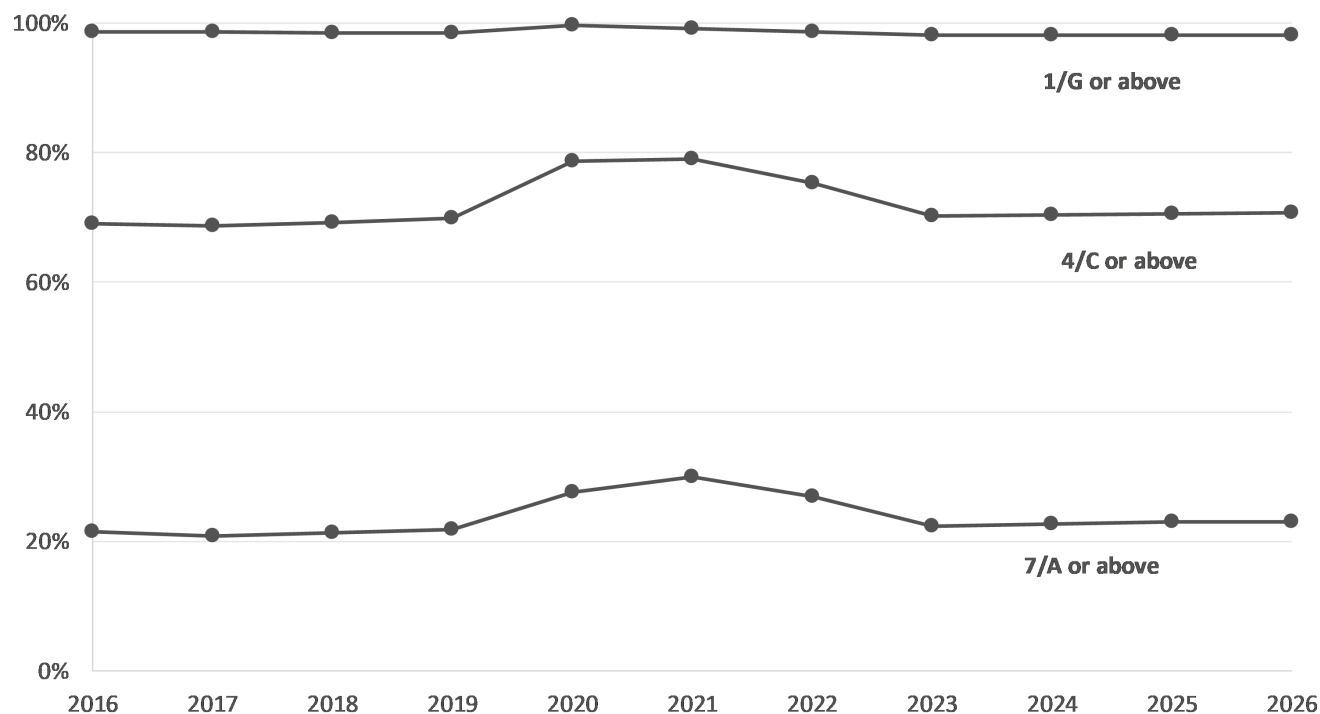


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GCSE Outcome - the National picture...

GCSE grades in all subjects, 2016-2026

16 year olds in England, selected grades
Cumulative percentage achieving grade



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2026 86%
2025 87%
2024 87%

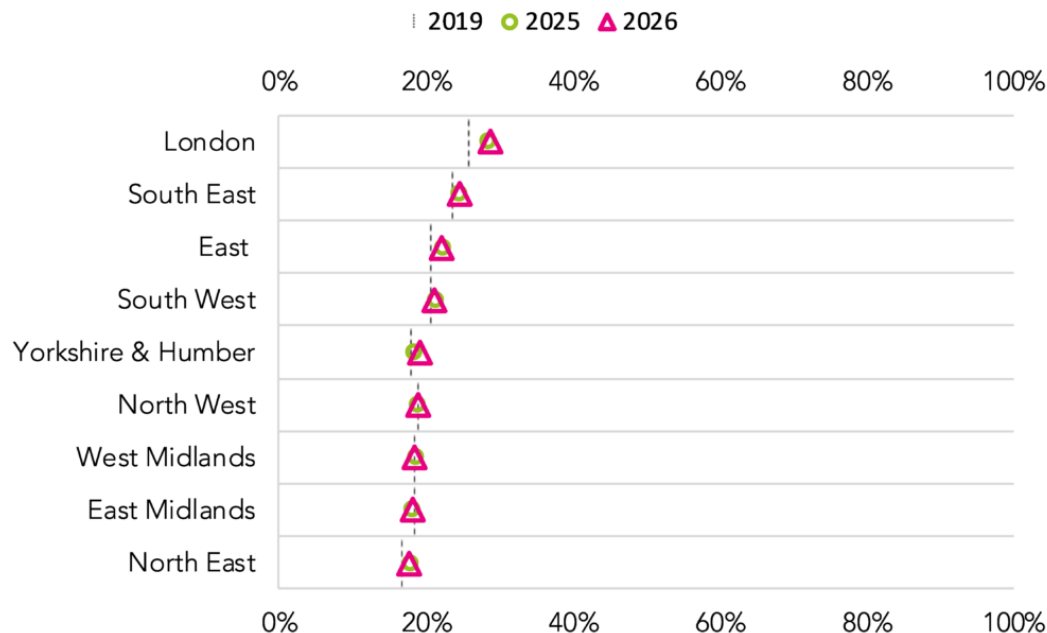


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GCSE Outcomes - The National Picture...

GCSE results at grade 7 or above

All students in England, 2019, 2025 and 2026



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2026 38%

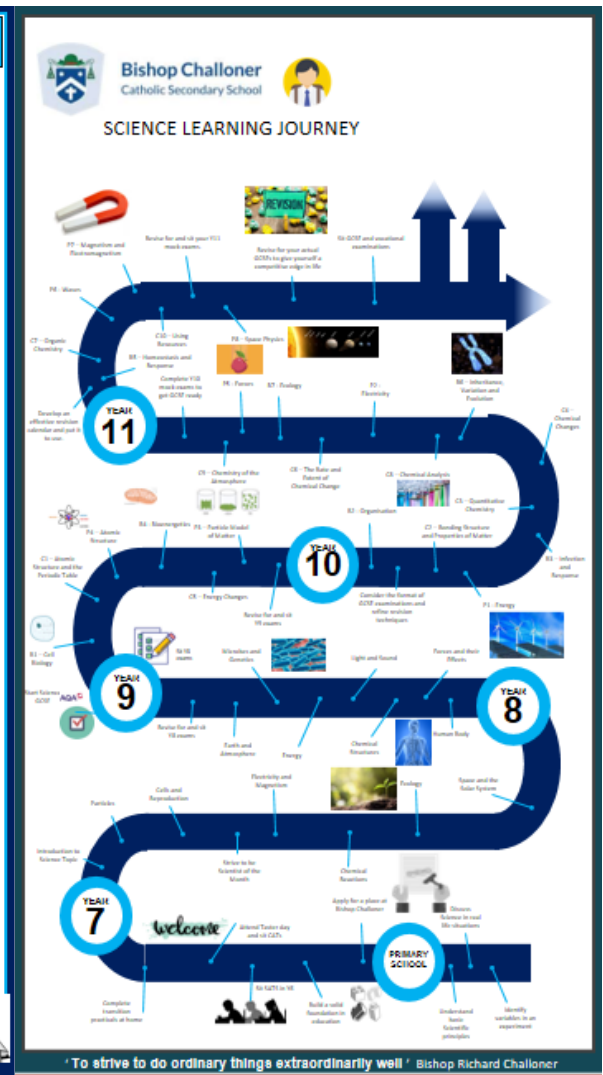
2025 41%

2024 37%



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Subject Learning Journeys



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Revision Strategies

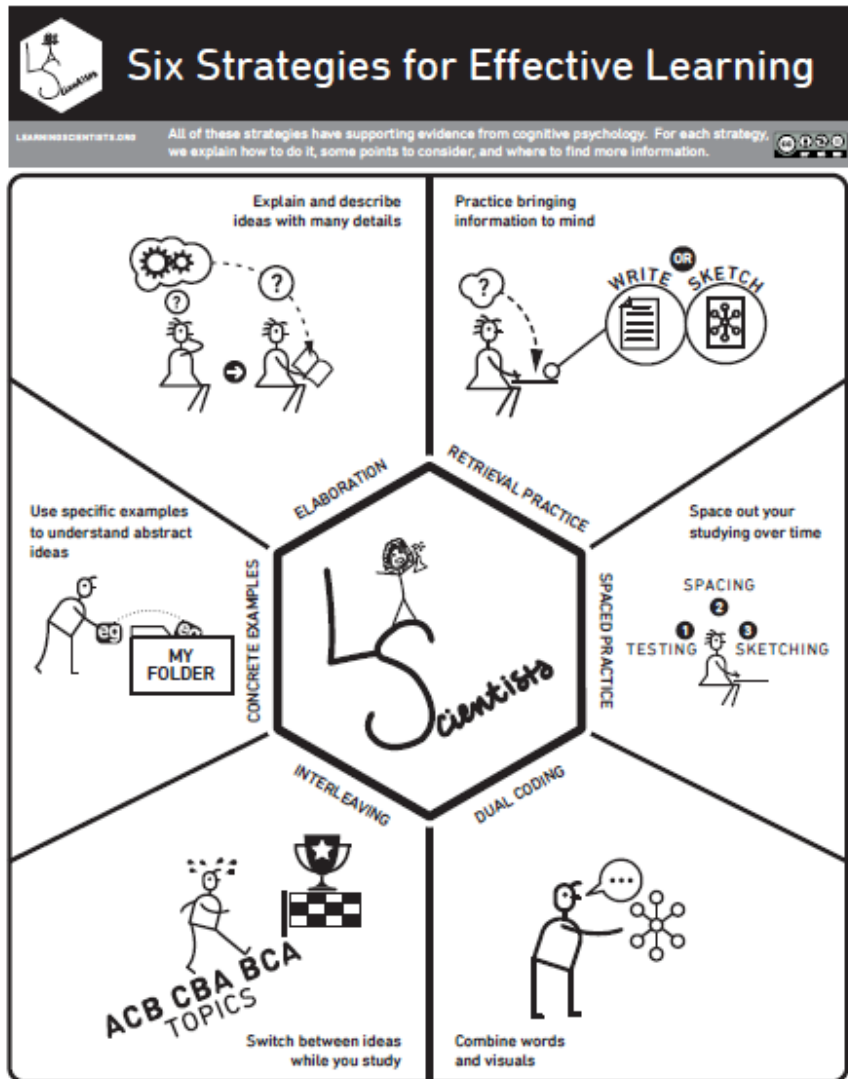
DAY	EARLY MORNING	MORNING	AFTER SCHOOL	EVENING
MONDAY		PHYSICS MRS. HOANEY 1 hour	COMPUTING MS. SMITH 45 mins	
TUESDAY	GEOGRAPHY MS. REVITT 45 mins (paper 1)		SPANISH MRS. MARTINEZ 30 mins	
WEDNESDAY		RE MRS. BUCKER 45 mins (paper 1)	AS MATHS MR. GILLON + MR. K. 1 hr 30 mins (in school)	BIOLOGY MRS. TAYLOR 1 hour
THURSDAY	RE MRS. BUCKER 45 mins (paper 2)		SPANISH MRS. MARTINEZ 1 hour (in school)	
FRIDAY		CHEMISTRY MRS. BUCKETS 1 hour	ENGLISH MRS. THORNTON 45 mins	RE MRS. BUCKER 30 mins (paper 2)
SATURDAY	ENGLISH MRS. THORNTON 30 mins	SPANISH MRS. MARTINEZ 45 mins (classes)	MATHS MR. GILLON 45 mins	
SUNDAY		AS MATHS MR. GILLON + MR. K. 30 mins		GEOGRAPHY MS. REVITT 30 mins (paper 2)

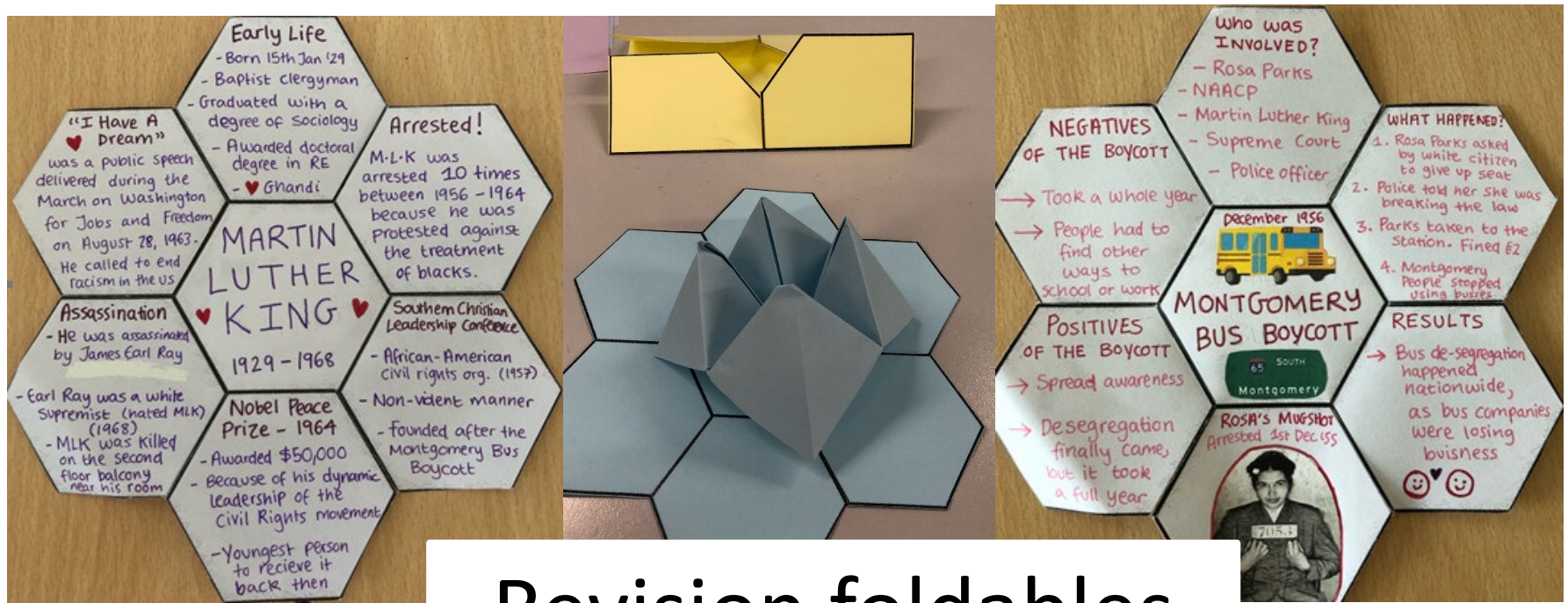
DAY	1st session	2nd session	3rd session	4th session
MONDAY	BIOLOGY	ENGLISH LIT.	COMPUTING	HISTORY
TUESDAY	MATHS	RE	FRENCH	CHEMISTRY
WEDNESDAY	ENGLISH LIT.	PHYSICS	HISTORY	MATHS
THURSDAY	COMPUTING	CHEMISTRY	ENGLISH LANG.	BIOLOGY
FRIDAY	RE	PHYSICS	HISTORY	FRENCH
SATURDAY	FRENCH	MATHS	BIOLOGY	ENGLISH LIT.
SUNDAY	CHEMISTRY	ENGLISH LANG.	COMPUTING	PHYSICS

<https://www.learningscientists.org/>

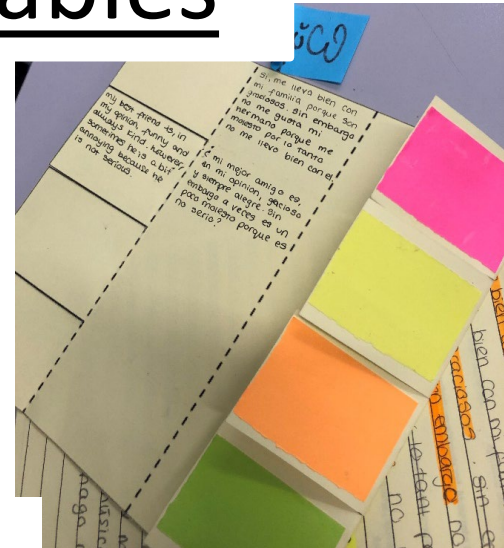


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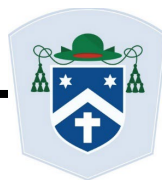


Revision foldables



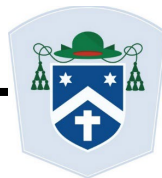
Revision Schedule

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LUNCH SESSION	ENGLISH ALM E6 HISTORY C&T CJN F12 GEOGRAPHY YRK G1	HISTORY MED ONL F13	HISTORY MED ONL F14 CHEMISTRY ROB L3 SPANISH SPEAKING VCT F4	HISTORY USA SOP GEOGRAPHY BRD G3	HISTORY SKILLS ONL F14
AFTER SCHOOL SESSION	STUDY EXTRA E7	STUDY EXTRA E7 ENGLISH MUSIC JBT MUSIC ROOM GEOGRAPHY (TEAMS) WGH DT PYK DT	STUDY EXTRA E7 DRAMA DNF ORS ENGLISH HES E4 MATHS DT FWY DT	STUDY EXTRA E7 MATHS DRAMA DNF ORS ENGLISH CTR E5	CHEMISTRY LBY L6 RS POL RE4



Saturday School Schedule

OCTOBER 2026
17/10/2026
NOVEMBER 2026
14/11/2026
JANUARY 2027
16/01/2027
FEBRUARY 2027
06/02/2027
MARCH 2027
13/03/2027
APRIL 2027
24/04/2027



Support with home learning



Maths <https://corbettmaths.com/contents/>

History revision by Mrs O'Neill – One History Help

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQU5628Mo62xMu0-yAHkbkw>

Science revision – AQA Biology Videos by Mrs Taylor

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6tfU4JlqJoOi-coLaxxvQw>

AQA Chemistry Videos by Mrs Roberts

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8PbAi6OldxoGCp85aHYl6w>

AQA Physics <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCoksQRTIfgAQ-WwJSdOtqGQ>

Geography revision – Seneca Learning (AQA GCSE Geography)

<https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/>

Geography Rocks by Mrs Wingham

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDmBIMG-Ot69GTLIQBVS6w>

Music set work revision (1) – Africa by Toto:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KBS1vxd06C4>

Music set work revision (2) - Badinerie by JS Bach:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PkpxRFBpH2c>

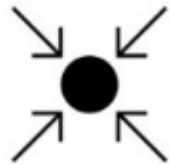
RS revision – www.kerboodle.com

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Revision Environment



FOCUSED

Put your phone away

Turn the music off

Avoid distractions

Be in the right physical place to revise

Be in the right frame of mind to revise



LONG-TERM

Start early to cut down on stress later in the year

Make a revision timetable and commit to it

Plan for 3 - 4 hours a week from January

Interleave different topics



ACTIVE

Engage your brain by actively creating revision resources

Test yourself, get others to test you

Practise exam technique by writing or planning answers

Revise what you struggle with



TRANSFORMED

Transform the knowledge you want to learn into a different format

Make flashcards

Produce a timeline

Record a podcast

Invent a mnemonic

Take Cornell notes

Create a mindmap

Design a flowchart

Make a powerpoint

Teach it

GCSE Pod

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I am a:

Student

Teacher

First name

Forename

Last name

Surname

Date Of Birth

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January

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Forename, surname and DOB fields required



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Activities and Clubs

Clubs run at break, lunch and after-school

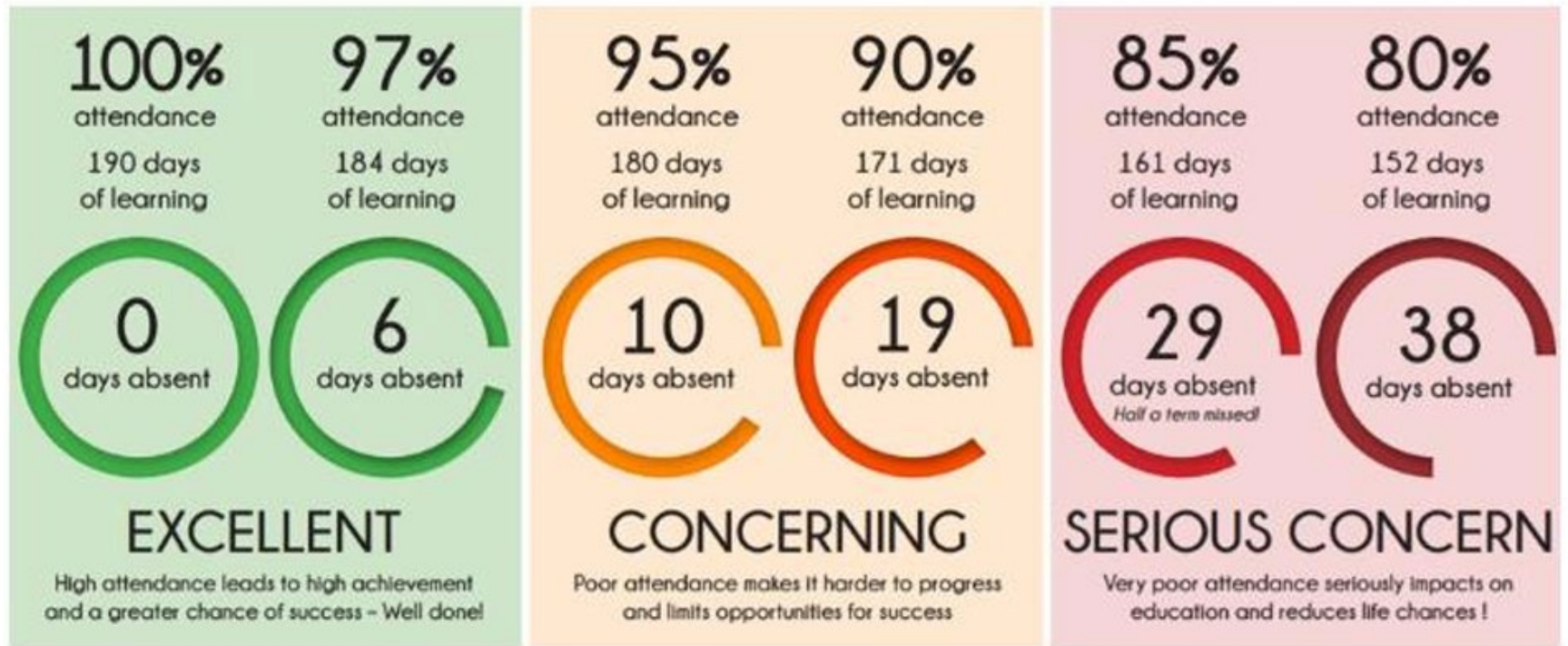
We have something for everyone!

- ✓ Academic support
- ✓ Sports
- ✓ Cultural Enrichment
- ✓ Arts and Crafts
- ✓ Music
- ✓ Faith
- ✓ Food
- ✓ Games



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Attendance



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Attendance

- A student who is absent a day a week misses an equivalent of two years of their school life
- 90% of young people with absence rates below 85% fail to achieve 5 or more good grades at GCSE
- Absence can lead to significant gaps in learning which will effect wellbeing, confidence and overall performance across the five year journey



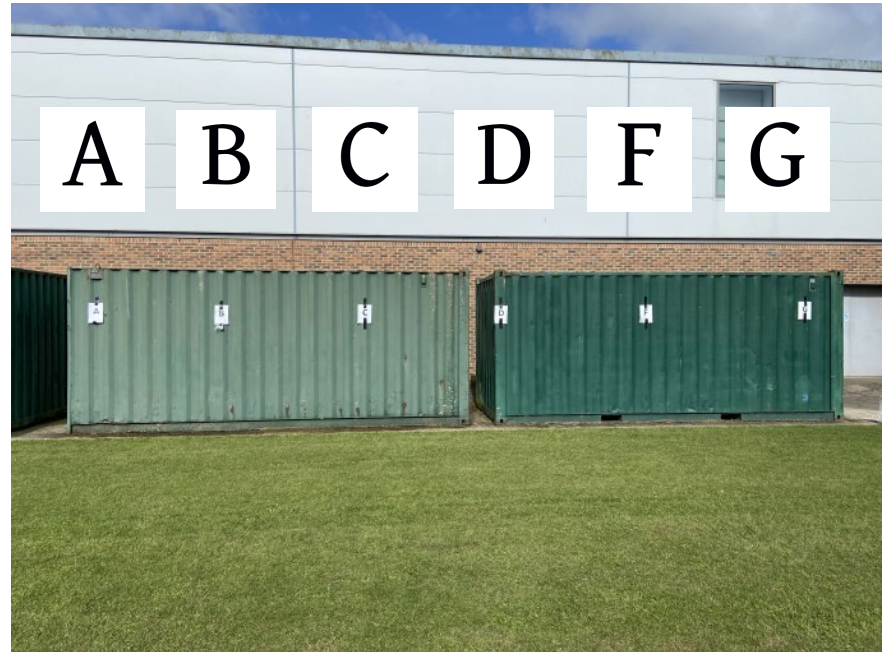
Punctuality

If in a school year your child is late everyday...	Your child would have lost approximately...	Or they would have missed approximately...
5 minutes	3 days from school	21 lessons lost
10 minutes	5 days from school	35 lessons lost
15 minutes	8 days from school	56 lessons lost
20 minutes	11 days from school	77 lessons lost
30 minutes	16 days from school	112 lessons lost



Mocks

- ✓ Arrive on time!
- ✓ Morning exams start 09:15
- ✓ Afternoon exams start 13:00
- ✓ Quiet and calm for call-in



- ✓ Bags are not permitted in the exam hall – they will be placed in the container



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What you **MUST** bring into your exam

- BLACK pen for all exams
- Clear plastic pencil case. (Clear plastic bag is OK)
- Pencil and eraser for most exams
- Ruler for most exams
- Calculator (where permitted).
- Mathematical equipment (not in a box or case) for Maths Exams



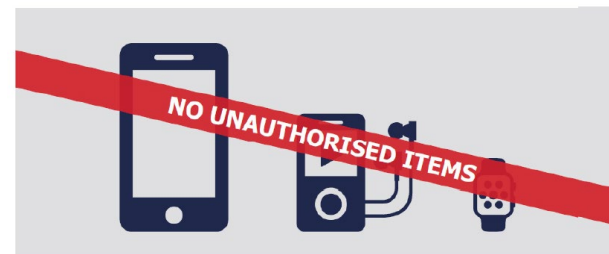
What you **CAN** bring into your exam

- Water bottle, but it must not have labels or printing on it.
- Calculator for any exam, unless it says it is not allowed
- Highlighter pens – can only be used to highlight text in the question paper. Must NEVER be used in your answers



What you must **NOT** bring into your exam

- Mobile phone
- ANY TYPE of watch
- Any other electronic device, eg mp3 player
- Paper, notes, etc
- Glasses case, pencil case (unless clear plastic)
- Food (unless permission has been given for medical reasons)
- Jackets/Coats



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Exam Boards

AQA <https://www.aqa.org.uk/>

Eduqas/WJEC <https://www.wjec.co.uk/>

OCR <https://www.ocr.org.uk/>



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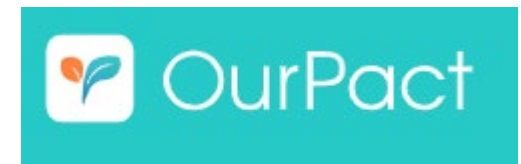
Art (AQA) <https://www.studentartguide.com/>
CNAT (OCR) <https://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/cambridge-nationals/>
Computer Science (OCR) <https://collins.co.uk/products/9780008535230>
Design Technology (AQA) <https://technologystudent.com/>
Drama (OCR) <https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/secondary-books/gcse/drama/dmr41-gcse-drama-revision-guide>
English (AQA) https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/School/books_gcse_english
Food Preparation and Nutrition (Eduqas/WJEC) <https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/blog/free-eduqas-food-prep-nutrition-gcse-revision/>
Geography (AQA) <https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/geography/gcse/geography-8035>
History (AQA) <https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/history/gcse/history-8145/specification-at-a-glance>
Maths (AQA) <https://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/mathematics/specifications/AQA-8300-SP-2015.PDF>
MFL (AQA) <https://www.linguascope.com/>
Music (Eduqas/WJEC) <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zbmct39>
PE (AQA) <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zp49cwx>
RE (AQA) <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zh3rkqt>
Science (AQA) <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z98jmp3>



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Support

- Internet matters
- Parentzone
- Net- aware
- OurPact
- NHS – Every Mind Matters
- MIND
- Barnardo's – Talk 2 Service
- CAMHS



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