

Y10 the next few weeks



To help you prepare for exams

We recognise that Year 10 (and Year 11) are challenging and the expectations on students can sometimes feel overwhelming. We are keen to provide you with strategies to help manage these emotions and allow you to perform to your best potential. You have already had lots of information about revision strategies through PHSE / Tutor time in Y9 and earlier this year.

But it is always good to revisit it!

Today, you will receive a booklet with tips and tricks on revision strategies to support you in your preparation over the next 4 weeks. A copy of this will also be sent to your parents so they can support you.



After Half Term

Get Set Go! Consists of a series of workshops that will cover some of the following areas:

- Making revision effective
- The importance of sleep and nutrition
- Conquering stress and exam-based anxiety

These sessions will be delivered when we return from the Easter break in tutor and PHSE. Your parents will be provided with the information too so that they are best prepared to support you over the next year.



PPEs

- PPEs (or Pre Public Exams) are opportunities for you and us to see how you are getting on with your GCSE courses
- They also allow you to experience taking exams in the Main Hall (or Training Suite if you have agreed Access Arrangements) and sit multiple papers in a day
- They also allow you to practice completing exam papers under exam conditions
- You will sit 'mock' papers in each of your subjects (with the exception of BTEC Sport, Art & ASDAN)
- There will be an **extended Art Workshop** during this timeframe
- There will also be a round of **practice French Orals** before May Half Term
- This first round of PPEs will take place **29 April – 3 May:**
 - *The papers will include material from across the units you have studied in Y10*
 - *You will sit a **combined Eng Lit and English Lang** paper lasting 1h45*
 - *Maths papers will be the 'normal' length. Science papers will be 1h15. All other exams will be 1 hour.*
 - *You will only sit one paper per subject except in Maths and Science where there are 2 papers*



PPE Week

We will do a walk through of where you will sit for the exams and go through some of the key exam rules you will be expected to follow in the week running up to the PPEs

- Exams will take place in the Main Hall

*Students with access arrangements will be in the **Training Suite**.*

- Morning exams will start **BY** 9am

*Students should register with their tutor in the Quad promptly at 8.40 **BEFORE** heading to the Exam hall*

- Session 2 exams will start **BY** 11.30am

Student should make their way promptly at the end of break to the Exam hall

- Students will sit exams in all subjects **except:**
 - Photography /Art & Design
 - BTEC Sport
 - ASDAN

Additional Information

You will be expected to adhere to JCQ regulations before, during and after the exams. Details of these can be found on the link shared with parents and in the Google Classroom

You are expected to wear full and correct school uniform for the duration of the PPEs

When you don't have an exam you will be in your **regular timetabled lessons**

If you are unwell and unable to attend school you will sit the exams upon your return. If you are late to an exam you will be admitted and, where possible, provided with the time to complete the exam fully.

Mobile phones, earphones and watches are **NOT** allowed in the exam hall.

Poor behaviour within the exam rooms will not be tolerated

You must be prepared for the exams – know what equipment you need / are allowed!

Results will be internally marked and moderated and returned to you after half term.
Where there is significant underperformance you can expect to be asked to re-sit a paper.

Exam Timetable

You will receive a copy of this timetable at the end and it will be in Google Classroom too.

After Easter it will appear on your Student App (BromCom)

	Monday 29 April	Tuesday 30 April	Wednesday 1 May	Thursday 2 May	Friday 3 May
Session 1 (8.45 start)	No Exam 10.45am <i>Walkthrough</i>	Maths (non-calc) 1h 30	Science (paper 1) 1h 15	Maths (calculator) 1h 30	Science (paper 2) 1h 15
Break					
Session 2 (11.30 start)	English (<i>combined Lit / Lang</i>) 1h 45	Option C 1h <i>Food, History, Geography</i>	Option A 1h <i>French, Geography, D&T</i> <i>*BTEC Students will have a BTEC workshop p2/3</i>	Option D 1h <i>History, French, Drama</i> <i>*YA students will have a workshop p2/3</i>	Option B 1h <i>Food, Computing</i> <i>*Art students will have an extended workshop (11.30am-3.15pm)</i>
Students return to the remainder of Period 4, have lunch and Period 5 runs as timetabled.					



Where are you....

How to be successful is very straightforward...

Be in school! AND in lessons!

Be punctual (to school and lessons)

Be prepared – have your books & equipment

Be prepared to contribute in lessons and work hard!

Take advantage of the opportunities available to you

Ask for help if you need it!

