## **Court Fields School**

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Dear Students & Parents,

I hope that you and your families are safe and well and would like to thank you for your continued support of your child's home learning, which will ensure they are as prepared as possible for the return to school.

On the week beginning 29<sup>th</sup> June all Year 9 students will be involved in an assessment week to help teachers judge the learning during the school closure.

These assessments are vital so that our teachers have a clear understanding of what students have learnt during school closure. They also need to know what topics may need to be re-taught in the future. The assessments will also support teachers in their planning for Learning@Home this half term so they can address any misconceptions and gaps in knowledge.

These assessments will cover the work set since Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March and will also have some questions on topics previously studied this year. The main focus of the assessments will be this terms' learning, however there will be some questions to assess how much students have remembered or retained from the other two terms. Please do not worry if your child does not have their school books to revise work from before lockdown. They should simply revise the work since school closure, plus general revision from Bitesize or other online resources if they have them. Teachers will provide more guidance on what to revise next week via ClassCharts and work set over the next two weeks will be a mixture of new learning and revision activities.

Students will have two or three assessments each day each lasting no more than an hour (please see timetable below). Most subjects will be providing an assessment however where an assessment is not possible students will be asked to continue or complete their NEA work (Coursework) which they have started this term.

Assessments will be accessible via ClassCharts and a mobile phone at the very least. If your child has access to other technology they can also use this, however it will not be necessary. Students should be able to complete all assessments either using a pen and paper, google forms via a mobile phone, or using other technology. If students are completing the assessment using a pen and paper they should simply take a photo of their assessment and upload to ClassCharts. All assessments should be completed and then returned to teachers via ClassCharts submission and not via email.

Each day the assessments will be posted on ClassCharts at 9:00 am and students will then have until 3:00 pm to complete the assessments and submit their assessment back to their teacher via ClassCharts. This should allow students who are sharing technology to access their assessments and complete within the time frame.











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## Timetable

Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July
Revision	Option 1	English	Maths	Philosophy and Beliefs
	Option 2	Science – Biology	Science - Chemistry	Science - Physics
	Option 3			

Please do check your child can access the assessments each morning and contact the school before 10:00am using the ClassCharts email address: <u>classcharts@courtfields.net</u> if there are any issues. This will allow us to contact you and resolve the issues as soon as possible.

Students should view these assessments like any other test that they would complete in school. Therefore they should try to do this independently, however if they do have a question about the assessment they should contact their teacher via email using the format

<u>initialsurname@courtfields.net.</u> As explained earlier students should not use their books or resources to help them as these assessments are under 'exam conditions'. We need to know a realistic picture of what they know and do not know, and this will not be possible if they use additional support.

If you are struggling to ensure that your child completes their assessment and would like support, please contact your child's Tutor by email (using the format <u>initialsurname@courtfields.net</u>)

Before the end of the summer term, we will send out a progress report providing parents with feedback from these assessments.

Thank you once again for your support, which is very much appreciated. Please do keep safe and keep in touch.

My very best wishes go out to you and your families.

Many thanks,

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