



BROOKVALE GROBY LEARNING CAMPUS

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 10 Statistics examination and mock examination 'fortnight' commencing 10 June 2024

Your child will be sitting mock exams week commencing 10 June 2024. Please see schedules below.

Teaching Wk 1	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5
Monday 10 June 2024			English Language - Paper 1 Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing A - Reading - 1 hour B - Writing - 45 mins		
Tuesday 11 June 2024					
Wednesday 12 June 2024			Science Biology Combined - 1 hour 15 mins Triple - 1 hour 45 mins Sports Hall experience		
Thursday 13 June 2024	Option 10B		Maths Calculator 1 hour 30 mins		
Friday 14 June 2024			Option 10A		

Teaching Wk 2	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5
Monday 17 June 2024	*Students taking statistics exam will be in warm ups All other students will be in normal lessons			Early lunch for students taking GCSE Statistics	GCSE Statistics exam (paper 2) 1hr 30 mins
Tuesday 18 June 2024	Science Chemistry Combined - 1 hour 15 mins Triple 1 hour 45 mins				
Wednesday 19 June 2024			Science Physics Combined - 1 hour 15 mins Triple 1 hour 45 mins		
Thursday 20 June 2024	Option 10D				PE Paper 2
Friday 21 June 2024			Option 10C		

***Information for Students doing Statistics GCSE**

All students sitting the Statistics examination will have a mock exam on **Thursday May 9** in the afternoon.

The Statistics exams are as follows:

Paper 1: 5 June (pm)

Paper 2: 17 June (pm)





Before each of these examinations students will be in warm up sessions during the morning. (please see the mock schedule to show the outline of the day for Paper 2 Statistics on Monday 17 June). The preparation for paper 1 will follow this same structure.

Information for All students

Student attendance to mocks is extremely important as results are used for ongoing assessment of student's progress. As with any examinations, we expect students to have all the correct equipment for their exams. Those students who arrive without the correct equipment will be issued with detentions. Listed below is some additional information about the examinations from the subjects:

Subject	Topics being assessed	Any additional information
English	Language Paper 1 Section A: Reading, and Section B: Writing. In Section A students will read an unseen piece of fiction and respond to a 4 part question assessing their skills in: identifying and interpreting information; language and structure analysis; evaluation. For Section B they will write creatively in response to one question out of a choice of two.	Students should be accessing the online revision guides produced by the faculty (in the Google Drive) or asking their teacher for hard copies of practice questions. We expect students to be using their initiative and revising in the run up to these mock exams. As always, students can request extra support from their teachers. For further support: BBC Bitesize English Language P1 skills - analysing fiction; writing fiction; spelling, punctuation, grammar sections
Maths	The mock will consist of a calculator paper which is 1 hour 30 minutes long and out of 80 marks. Papers will be sat at either the higher (sets 1 and 2 - covering grades 4-9) or foundation (sets 3, 4 and 5 - covering grades 1-5) tier. Students will be examined on all aspects of the course.	Following the mock exam all students will be given independent learning tasks to complete on Sparx Maths to address the topics which they need to improve. In order for this to have the most impact, it is important that all students revise prior to their mock exams so that we can accurately identify the topics requiring improvement. To assist their revision all pupils should regularly be accessing Sparx Maths to complete their weekly Targets and XP Boost in addition to any other tasks set for them. Pupils can use Sparx Maths to revise any topic that they wish without the need for their teacher to set it.
Combined Science and Separate Sciences	The mock exams will consist of 3 separate papers (Biology, Chemistry and Physics) a calculator will be required for all science exams. Combined Science papers are 1hr 15mins. Separate Science papers are 1hr 45mins. The topics covered include the following: Working scientifically - applies to all 3 sciences Biology: B1 - Cell biology B2 - Organisation B3 - Infection and response B4 - Bioenergetics Chemistry:	It is strongly advised that all students should purchase a GCSE AQA revision guide if they haven't already done so (available from the college shop). Additional resources are available in the GCSE Science revision area on the google drive . Use of the Tassomai science app is a vital part of revision. The results of the mock exams will be used to assess if students need to be moved sets to ensure they are in the best environment for their continued

	<p>C1 - Atomic structure and the periodic table C2 - Bonding, structure, and the properties of matter C6 - Rate and extent of chemical change C7 - Organic chemistry C8 - Chemical analysis C9 - Chemistry of the atmosphere C10 - Using resources</p> <p>Physics: P1 - Energy P2 - Electricity P3 - Particle model of matter P4 - Atomic structure</p>	<p>progression, so it is important that students take these mock exams seriously.</p>
Languages	<p>Students will be sitting a Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking Exam. This will mean that some papers will take place outside of the allotted double lesson for their option block.</p> <p>Due to the statistics exam, some papers for option blocks A and C will take place in the week beginning 3rd June. The speaking Exams will sit outside the mock window in week 37 (week beginning 24th June - Times and dates to be confirmed for each teaching group) The Listening, reading and writing exams will cover the year 10 topic areas.</p>	<p>Students have access to all their Knowledge Organisers for year 10 as well as revision materials on the Google Classroom.</p> <p>This is an excellent document for organising revision.</p> <p>All students have access to Quizlet and Memrise to practise vocabulary from the whole syllabus. BBC Bitesize for French/German or Spanish provides an excellent platform for revision. Revision guides and workbooks can be purchased from the online school shop.</p>
Engineering Design	<p>Unit R038 - Subjects to revise The Design Cycle, Specifications, Legislation, Quality and Safety Standards, Modern Materials, Scales of production, Product Life Cycle, Sustainability, Standard Components, Tolerances and ergonomics.</p>	<p>OCR Design Engineering Revision Guide has been shared with all students on Google Classroom. At the end of each section there are questions for students to be able to test their knowledge.</p> <p>Other useful websites; www.technologystudent.com https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zdvv2sg</p>
Food Preparation and Nutrition	<p>Students will be assessed by completing a mini NEA 2 Students' knowledge, skills and understanding in relation to the planning, preparation, cooking, presentation of food and application of nutrition related to the chosen task.</p> <p>Students will prepare, cook and present a final menu of two single portion dishes within a single period of no more than two hours, planning in advance how this will be achieved.</p>	<p>Students will have access to a guidance booklet to help them through each step of the NEA In addition students are able to use their knowledge organisers and the online textbook by illiminate. Which students have been given the link for.</p>
Art / Graphic Design / Textiles	<p>Students will not be having a formal mock. They will be focussing on their coursework NEA projects as these units are 60% of the students final GCSE grade. We will conduct some of this time in exam conditions but this will be at an appropriate time for the students so that it doesn't impact on the progress of their coursework. This will give them the experience of working in our areas in preparation for their exams next year.</p>	<p>Students have access to Knowledge Organisers to support this work. All lessons are spent working on the Non Examined Assessment and students will be receiving homework to support this project. Extended support after school is also available to the students to support their progress.</p>
Business	<p>The mock will consist of one paper on theme 1 of the GCSE Business Edexcel qualification. The paper is 1 hour 45 minutes long and out of 90 marks.</p>	<p>It is strongly advised that all students should purchase a GCSE EDEXCEL revision guide and workbook if they haven't already done so (available from the BGLC</p>

	<p>Students will be examined on all aspects of Theme 1.</p> <p>1.1 Enterprise and entrepreneurship 1.2 Spotting a business opportunity 1.3 Putting a business idea into practice 1.4 Making the business effective 1.5 Understanding external influences on business</p> <p> GCSE Business Yr10 Personalised Learning C...  GCSE_Business_Spec_2017.pdf</p>	<p>school shop on Weduc).</p> <p>Students have access to a theme 1 knowledge organiser pack, exam technique support booklet and lesson resources in the google classroom to support with revision.</p> <p>Resource links to digital learning resources, past papers and tips for the upcoming mock are in this presentation:  THEME 1 Bs Mock Tips - Year 10 2022</p>
Computer Science	<p>Students will be sitting a combined paper 1 and paper 2 mock. This will cover the following units from paper 1: 1.1 Systems architecture, 1.2 Memory and storage, 1.3 Computer networks, connections and protocols, 1.4 Network security and 1.5 systems software. And the following units from paper 2: 2.1 Algorithms, 2.2 Programming fundamentals. 2.4 Boolean logic and 2.5 Programming languages and integrated Development Environments.</p>	<p>Students have access to the knowledge organisers for both papers as well as all lesson slides on the google classroom. Students complete weekly homework to help with the preparation of key mark questions. The online resources that are available are: Seneca, Craig 'n' Dave YouTube channel, Quizlet and BBC Bitesize. The students can also use the CGP Computer science revision guides and exam question booklets.</p>
ICT	<p>Students will not be having a mock. They will be focussing on their coursework NEA projects as these units are 60% of the students final GCSE grade.</p>	<p>Extended Support is provided at lunchtimes where students are behind on their coursework.</p>
Geography	<p>Topics students need to revise:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Theme 1.1 - Urbanisation ● Theme 1.3 - A global perspective on development issues - Development in contrasting global cities - London and Mumbai ● Theme 2.1 - Coasts and coastal management ● Theme 2.2 - Rivers and river management ● Theme 3.1 - Ecosystem processes and ecosystems under threat ● There will also be a portion of your exam which will assess mathematical skills e.g. percentage, mean, medium... 	<p>Please use the document below to access revision resources and materials. This has been placed in the shared KS4 revision drive and copies will be posted in your classroom.</p> <p> Year 10 Geography Mock Revision and Exam S...</p> <p>The following revision guides are useful. Only one would be needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● "My Revision Notes: Eduqas GCSE (9–1) Geography B Second Edition" ISBN-10 1398321737 ● "GCSE Geography Revision Guide: perfect for the 2023 and 2024 exams" ISBN 10 - 1782946241
History	<p>For the History mock exam students will be doing as close to a full paper 1 as we can do in 1 hour and 45 minutes. They will complete:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● a PARTIAL Opportunities and Inequalities in America 1920-1974 paper (where we are taking out the 8 mark IN WHAT WAYS question) ● a FULL Conflict and Tension between East and West 1945-1972 paper. <p>Sample papers are available:</p> <p>Sample Conflict and Tension paper with Source Booklet</p> <p>Sample America paper with Interpretation Booklet</p>	<p>Students have access to the Google Classroom with all of their lesson resources, booklets, knowledge organisers etc. on them. Their homework between now and their mock exams is set around the mock, ensuring they have revised everything that they need to. All of this is on their Google Classroom. There is also a mock specific PLC (personalised learning checklist) so they can ensure they have looked at everything they need to. IT has helpful resources linked to it which will help them prepare. We recommend purchasing the My Revision Notes AQA GCSE History 9-1 revision guide available from Amazon and all other online book retailers. They can also be purchased as an ebook where they are considerably cheaper. Students also have access to Tassomai Students can also go to gcsehistory.com or download the free GCSE History app by Clever Lili</p>

		which they can ask questions and it will speak and provide a text version of the answer. The content has all been written by GCSE History teachers and is specific to the GCSE History specifications.
Religious Studies	<p>Student will be assessed in the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Christian beliefs ● Buddhist beliefs ● Theme A - Relationships and families ● Theme B - Religion and life <p>This is mixture of paper 1 and 2</p>	<p>Please use the document below to access revision resources and materials. This has been placed in the shared KS4 revision drive and copies will be posted in your classroom.</p> <p>Year 10 RS Mock Revision and Exam Support</p> <p>The following revision guide is very useful: "AQA GCSE Religious Studies A: Christianity and Buddhism Revision Guide" ISBN 10 - 0198422857</p>
Drama	<p>Students will be completing a mock of the understanding drama exam.</p> <p>Section A - Multiple choice Students will revise stage configurations, stage positions and job roles.</p> <p>Section B - Noughts and Crosses. Students will answer 4 questions analysing the play Noughts and crosses. They will show their knowledge of characters, staging, performance interpretation and use of set and costume.</p> <p>Section C- Evaluation of a live performance. Students will evaluate the acting skills used in a live performance</p>	<p>Revision material will be provided on the google classroom along with guidance, support and revision in lessons in preparation for the mock exam.</p> <p>Students have their own copies of Noughts and Crosses they can use as revision.</p> <p>BBC Bitesize: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zrnjwty</p>
Music	<p>Students will be sitting a shorter version of the listening exam on the following topics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Badinerie by Bach (Set work) ● Musical forms and Devices ● Film Music ● Africa by Toto (Set work) <p>Students are also being asked to prepare a solo or ensemble performance which will be performed an assessed during this term</p>	<p>All students also have access to our online apps Focus on Sound and Teaching Gadget which have a vast library of resources, tests, lessons and a fantastic dictionary tool.</p> <p>Eduqas also has a digital resource section which can be found here</p> <p>There will be a revision section on the Google Classroom which will just be for revision to support the exam.</p>
BTEC Performing Arts	<p>Students are currently completing Component 2: Developing skills and techniques in Performing Arts. In lessons they will be working on developing their skills in either drama, dance or musical theatre and working on a final performance piece. As part of the assessment they will Perform their final piece and write an evaluation of their rehearsals and Performance.</p>	<p>Performance assessment will happen, in lesson, on Monday 10th June and Wednesday 12th June. In order to prepare for this students need to make sure they have learnt their lines, lyrics/melody, choreography and are fully rehearsed for the performance.</p> <p>On Friday 21st June they will write an evaluation of their rehearsal process and performance. To prepare for this they will watch their performance back, use feedback from teacher and peers and consider how effective their rehearsals have been. This will be prepared in lesson time.</p>
GCSE PE	<p>Students will be sitting two shorter versions of the exam papers they will sit next summer. Paper 1 will be 45 marks in 45 minutes and Paper 2 will be 30 marks in 30 minutes. Paper 1 will be sat on Friday 16th June during their normal theory lesson. Paper 2 will be sat on Thursday 22nd June during their double lesson.</p>	<p>Students have access to two online platforms called The Everlearner and the PE Classroom to aid their revision. They also have access to a range of resources on their Google Classroom.</p>
GCSE Media	<p>The mock will consist of one exam paper, 1hr 45</p>	<p>Students have access to extensive resources,</p>

	<p>mins: Component 1A - Television. Students will watch a clip from one of the two TV programmes studied four times (3 mins approx) and make notes for the first 30 mins. Then students will answer questions about the clip and about the television industry and about the other TV programmes we have studied for the next 50 mins. 1hr 20 mins total. Component 1B - Promoting Media. Students will answer questions about the promotion of The Lego Movie, looking at The videogame, TV ad break and film posters. 25 mins total.</p>	<p>including powerpoints, exam board fact sheets and exam papers on the Google Drive. Every lesson taught since the start of year 10 is also available through the Google Classroom. There are several videos on Youtube which also outline the exam paper format and explain the ways to address the questions. C1A Television Outline C1B Promoting Media Outline</p>
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On the school website there is information on how to revise, our [big revision guide and examples of revision timetables](#) all of which your child may find useful in preparing for these weeks.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely,

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