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JCoSS Year 10 Curriculum Booklet 2023-24

This Curriculum Booklet outlines the content for each of the subjects that students study at JCoSS. It includes information about subject content, assessments that take place, an outline of the Home Learning that is normally set and the time required to complete it, useful website links to support learning and some tips for parents on supporting learning.

Key Dates for Year 10:

By end of November Y10 First report sent home
By end of February Y10 Second report sent home
By end of April Y10 Third report sent home

16th May 2024 Y10 Parents' Evening (Subject conversation with teachers)

17th – 28th June 2024 Y10 End of year exams

By end of July Y10 Fourth report sent home

I have a question / issue I would like to discuss with someone at JCoSS. Whom do I contact?

Nature of query	Whom to contact
Progress or behaviour in an individual subject	Subject teacher
Progress or behaviour in several subjects	Form tutor
Student's wellbeing or family circumstances	Form tutor
Incidents and issues outside lessons	Form tutor
Payments including School Trip payments	Finance Office
Examinations	Exams Office
Student absence	Student Services
JCoSS coaches	Transport Officer
All other enquiries (or where you are unsure)	Main Office

Curriculum organisation for Y10 students:

Core Subjects studied by all students:-

Mathematics: Students are placed in sets across the year group.

Science: On each side of the year group there is one mixed ability separate Sciences class and three mixed ability trilogy classes as well as a smaller foundation class.

English and Jewish Education are taught in top set and mixed ability groupings.

Option subjects: All students are taught in mixed ability groups.

Kvutzah: Students are taught in their tutor groups.



Non-Examined Assessments

There are a small number of courses that contain a Non-Examined Assessment (NEA). Please see the relevant subject pages for details.

NEA's are essentially pieces of coursework, which must be the student's own work and not copied from someone else.

1. Attendance

It is absolutely vital that students attend lessons in the learning and planning stages in the lead up to the deadline for handing in their NEAs so that they are fully equipped to produce their best possible work. Students must hand in their NEA by the deadline given to them by their teacher. If any NEA is handed in after the deadline set by the subject teacher, the student will not be able to ask for a review of the centre assessed mark (more details of which are contained in the attached letter from the Examinations Officer and in JcoSS' Internal Appeals Procedure which can be found on Moodle).

2. Plagiarism

Plagiarism involves taking someone else's words, thoughts or ideas and trying to pass them off as your own. It is a form of cheating which is taken very seriously. Plagiarism includes, not just copying from the internet or text books without acknowledging sources, but also copying sections of work from friends. Students are required to submit signed declarations that the work they produce when submitting NEAS is their own. To uphold the integrity of their awards, exam boards take a range of measures to ensure that students' work is original. There are many ways exam boards can detect plagiarism including using Internet search engines and specialised computer software to match phrases or pieces of text with original sources and to detect changes in the grammar and style of writing or punctuation. The consequences can be severe in cases of coursework malpractice, and one of the following penalties will be applied by the Examination Board:

- the piece of work will be awarded zero marks;
- the student will be disqualified from that component for the examination series in question;
- the student will be disqualified from the whole subject for that examination series;
- the student will be disqualified from all subjects and barred from entering again for a period of time.

To protect our students from this, and to deter them from being tempted to plagiarise, it is JCoSS Policy that any NEA that is found by the teacher to be plagiarised will be not be submitted to be taken into consideration for the final GCSE grade: the student will therefore receive 0 marks in that section of the examination.

We appreciate your support in these important matters and our efforts to ensure that our students continue to make excellent and sustained progress in KS4.



Subject	GCSE Art	
Examination Board	Edexcel	
	Autumn	 Starting the first Coursework Unit for the Personal Portfolio (5FA01) which is 60% of the total GCSE. The topic of study will be 'Collections'. Learning to actively engage with Art and Design in order to develop as an effective and independent student. Developing creative skills through a range of media and processes, through learning to use imagination when exploring and creating images. Experimenting with a broad range of media, materials and techniques, including traditional and new media. Developing cultural knowledge, understanding and application of art, craft and design in historical and contemporary contexts, societies and cultures. The focus will be on observational drawing and contextual research. Students will be required to keep a sketchbook/folder throughout the duration.
Main topics/areas studied this year	Spring	 The continuation of the first Coursework Unit. The focus will be on developing ideas and following a personal line of enquiry within the theme. Producing a final outcome for the first Coursework Unit that is a culmination of work produced in this unit. Learning in depth about the Assessment Objectives in which moderation of work will take place. Students will be required to continue working on their sketchbook/folder throughout the duration. Completed paintings/sculptures/prints with supporting studies to show the development of ideas leading to the final outcome.
	Summer	 Introduction to the second Coursework Unit within Component 1 of the GCSE course. Students will be given their second Coursework Unit theme and will continue their exploration of media to complete a sketchbook and portfolio work based on this unit. Sheets of drawings/studies in a variety of media. Sketchbooks/folders on a theme showing detailed studies/ideas for future developments including indepth critical study of the work of Artists and Designers. Summer work will be given as a continuation to the second Coursework Unit.



Assessment Headlines	 All assessment of coursework produced will be marked according to the exam board assessment objectives. Students work will be tracked in their sketchbooks/folders with targets given on how to achieve target grades and feedback given on how to improve upon existing grade.
Useful websites or resources	http://www.wga.hu/frames-e.html/welcome.html - Online Gallery search for an artist. http://www.artmovements.co.uk/home.htm - Art Movements http://www.nationalgallery.org.uk - National Galleries http://www.tate.org.uk - Tate Galleries http://www.designmuseum.org - Design Museum http://www.axisartists.org.uk - Database of contemporary artists in the UK http://www.bfi.org.uk - The British Film Institute http://www.craftscouncil.org.uk - The Crafts Council http://www.design-council.org.uk - The Design Council http://www.iniva.org - The Institute of International Visual Arts http://www.vam.ac.uk - Victoria and Albert Museum http://www.thebritishmuseum.ac.uk - The British Museum http://www.saatchi-gallery.co.uk - The Saatchi Gallery https://www.pinterest.co.uk - Online mood board for research and inspiration. https://www.thisiscolossal.com - Current Art, Design and visual arts.
What parents can do to support learning	 Encourage the students to read up on the artists that will be looked at within each project, developing thoughts and opinions about the styles and work of each artist. Discussion about techniques, materials and processes and consolidating learning in class by stressing the importance of completing home learning. Encouraging students to visit galleries, exhibitions and museums to put art into context. Encourage students to take pictures and collect images of things that inspire them.
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	5 lessons per fortnight
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Normally one task each week, taking 60 minutes on average. Some pieces may run over more than one Home Learning slot. Sometimes there may be multiple tasks that will be combined into one home learning - for example, presenting work, taking photos, printing etc.
End of year exam will assess:	The end of year exam will give students the opportunity to work for five hours under exam conditions. They will use this time to work on their final piece which will be part of their personal portfolio.



Subject	GCSE Business Studies	
Examination Board	Edexcel - 1BS0	
	Enterprise & Entrepreneurship Spotting a Business Opportunity Putting a Business Idea Into Practice	
Main topics/areas studied this year	 Making the Business Effective Spring Business Planning Influences on Business 	
	 Growing the Business Globalisation Ethics 	
Assessment Headlines	There will be a 1½ hour written exam in assessment week All formal exam assessment will take place in Year 11	
Useful websites or resources	 http://www.tutor2u.net/revision notes business gcse.htm http://www.businessstudiesonline.co.uk/live/ http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/business/ http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/ 	
What parents can do to support learning	 Take every opportunity to discuss your work with your child. If possible, introduce them to family members or friends who have set up a business Encourage your child to take an interest in the wider world by watching the BBC news every day or by reading a good newspaper. Discuss news stories with them and the ways in which they affect businesses Help test key terms (definitions) 	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	5 lessons per fortnight	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Students can expect up to 1 hour per week.	
End of year exam will assess	Content covered through the first year (Unit 1) The exam will include short-answer and extended writing questions.	



Subject	Cambridge National Certificate in Child Development
Examination Board	OCR
Main topics/areas studied this year	The Cambridge National Certificate in Child Development is designed with both practical and theoretical elements, which will prepare students for further qualifications in Child Care, Health and Social Care, Psychology, Sociology and Biology.
	Health and well-being for child development In this unit you will learn about the importance of pre-conception health and reproduction, antenatal care and preparation for birth. You'll also learn about postnatal care and the conditions in which a child can thrive. o Pre-conception health and reproduction o Antenatal care and preparation for birth o Postnatal checks, postnatal care and the conditions for development o Childhood illnesses and a child safe environment.
	Create a safe environment and understand the nutritional needs of children from birth to five years In this unit you will learn how to create a safe environment for children from birth to five years in childcare settings. You'll research and choose equipment that is suitable and safe for use and will learn about children's nutrition and dietary needs o Creating a safe environment in a childcare setting o Choosing suitable equipment for a childcare setting o Nutritional needs of children from birth to five years
	Understand the development of a child from one to five years In this unit you will learn the physical, intellectual and social developmental norms for children from one to five years. You'll understand the importance of creating plans and providing different play activities to support children in their development o Physical, intellectual and social developmental norms from one to five years o Stages and types of play and how play benefits development o Observe the development of a child aged one to five years o Plan and evaluate play activities for a child aged one to five years for a chosen area of development
	A Cambridge National Certificate is equivalent to one GCSE but is assessed differently. There is one exam and the rest of the course is assessed through coursework. Students should choose a vocational course if they are highly organised and are able to meet deadlines, enjoy coursework and are considering a career in the Child Care/Education sectors.
Assessment Headlines	 One exam Two coursework units. Deadlines for coursework are very strict so you must be prepared for this.
Useful websites or resources	• www.ocr.org.uk



Subject	GCSE in Computing	
Examination Board	OCR (J277)	
	Autumn Unit 1: Computer Systems Systems Architecture Memory and Storage Unit 2: Computational Thinking, Algorithms and Programming Programming Fundamentals	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Spring Unit 1: Computer Systems Networks Network Security Unit 2: Computational Thinking, Algorithms and Programming Producing Robust Programs	
	Summer Unit 2: Computational Thinking, Algorithms and Programming Producing Robust Programs	
Assessment Headlines	Assessment Week 1 1-hour exam	
Useful websites or resources	Computing GCSE Page on JCoSS Moodle Website http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/gcse-computing-j275-from-2012/ http://www.teach-ict.com/ http://cscircles.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/ http://www.codecademy.com/learn http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/intermediate2/computing/ http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology/ http://www.codeavengers.com/	
What parents can do to support learning	Encourage students to read around the subject and not just the course websites or textbook notes. This should include computing magazines, news articles and computing books. In addition, students will need to work independently on developing their coding skills for the programming elements of the course. Developing coding skills in languages such as Python and Javascript through tutorial sites such as Codecademy and Codeavengers is highly recommended.	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	5 lessons per fortnight	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Home Learning will be set at least once per week and will vary between subject reading, online test activities and preparation for in-class topic tests. In addition, students will be expected to spend at least one hour per week outside of lessons on developing their computer programming/coding skills.	



End of year exam will	Content covered in Year 10 from both Units 1 and 2.	
assess	Students will be expected to write at least one algorithm as part of their	
	exam.	



Subject	GCSE Design and Technology	
Examination Board	AQA	QA
	 Introduction to Creativity and Design - Students will undertake a variety of mini tasks to investigate design and its wider implications. They will begin to understand how to design for the needs of a client and draw on influences from iconic designers and movements. They will learn different methods of designing and will develo technical drawing skills that they can take further into future projects. Ergonomics & anthropometrics Handheld Product Project – Following on from their introduction to design and creativity, students will have the opportunity to work to a set brief in order to design and model a product that focuses on the principles of good ergonomics and anthropometric data. The brief will be to design and model a developed design for a small handheld device. It must be comfortable to use by the intended user. They will research, design, and model their product independently while also learning about the working properties of polystyrene foam. Clock Project – Context is 21st century home, mini NEA 	utumn
Main topics/areas studied this year	 Clock Project – Context is 21st century home, mini NEA project. Students will be researching, designing, modeling and making a clock for their home. They must use a range of Resistant MaterialsRe-using Project – Theory - Core technical principles, Specialist technical principles & Designing and making principles In preparation for Exams, students will learn about a range of theoretical topics needed for their exams. They will focus on their chosen specialist technical areas which are woods and plastics learning about materials, their working properties, manufacturing processes, Environmental, Social, Ethical, Moral, and Cultural issues They will be practicing exam techniques, learning how to answer different types of exam questions. 	•
	Introduction to NEA (Non Exam Assessment) – AQA contextual challenges released on the 1st June 2023. Students begin Assessment Objective 1 of their NEA. AO1 Identifying and investigating design possibilities Producing a design brief and specification Students will begin the research section of their NEA which counts for 50% of their final grade for DT. They wi	S



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	 be given a set context from the AQA board which they must work to. They will find their own client and independently research, design, plan and make a final product to be submitted for assessment along with an E-Portfolio. This will continue through to March in Year 11. 	
Assessment Headlines	Formal assessments will take place at the end of each unit. There will also be a full exam paper during the mock exam period. NEA (Non Exam Assessment) = 50% of the final grade. Final Exam (2 hours) = 50% of the final grade.	
Useful websites or resources	www.technologystudent.com www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/design/ www.designmuseum.org www.robives.com The AQA Product Design textbook covers all knowledge needed for the exam and gives examples of how to set out and complete the controlled assessment.	
What parents can do to support learning	Encourage students to visit exhibitions and museums. Encourage wider reading around the subject. Encourage students to evaluate their practical work the same day whilst it is still fresh in their mind. Encourage students to be independent learners. Monitor that deadlines are being met.	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	5 hours	
How much home learning is expected per week?	1 hour minimum although this is approximate and some students may enjoy spending longer practising their skills. Booster sessions are available in school to enable students to access resources.	
End of year exam will	Core technical principles, Specialist technical principles &	
assess	Designing and making principles	
	The focus will be on their chosen specialist technical areas which are woods and plastics, materials, their working properties, manufacturing processes, Environmental, Social, Ethical, Moral, and Cultural issues.	



Subject	GCSE Drama	
Examination Board	Edexcel	
	Autumn • Mock Component 1 Devising	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Mock Component 2 Performance from a Text	
	 Mock Theatre Makers in Practice Mock Live theatre Review 	ļ
Assessment Headlines	Component 1 Devising. Create and develop a devised piece from a stimulus. Analyse and evaluate the devising process and performance creatinwritten portfolio. Component 2 Performance from a Text.	ng a
Assessment redumies	Students will perform two key extracts from a performance text. Component 3 Theatre Makers in Practice. Practical exploration and study of one complete performance text, by Dennis Kelly. Live theatre evaluation.	DNA
Useful websites or resources	http://www.digitaltheatre.com/ http://www.digitaltheatre.com/education https://www.unicorntheatre.com/ https://www.chickenshed.org.uk/ http://www.shakespearesglobe.com/?gclid=CIn- bJT6w88CFUUq0wodizolEg	
What parents can do to support learning	Encourage students to watch Digital Theatre or Live theatre. Students should gain an understanding of theatrical aesthetics as a result of exploring a variety of plays and practitioners throughout theatre history. Ensure students have 'booked' rehearsal time in the theatre space when preparing their work for assessment. Students to visit local and West End theatres.	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	5 lessons per fortnight	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Weekly home learning - throughout the year students will be asked earn lines and rehearse practical performances for homework. Students will also be asked to complete written work.	l to
End of year exam will assess	Students will be assessed on their knowledge of DNA by Dennis Kelly and Live Theatre.	



Subject		GCSE English Language and GCSE English Literature
Examination Board	AQA	
	Autumn	An Inspector Calls (Literature Paper 2) Language Paper 1 – fiction reading skills
Main topics/areas studied this year	Spring	Language Paper 1 – fiction reading skills Poetry anthology (Literature Paper 2)
	Summer	Creative writing – drafting and editing both descriptive and narrative pieces. Unseen Poetry (Literature Paper 2) Spoken Language
Assessment Headlines	Year 10 June mock exams assess all content covered throughout the year • English Language Paper 1 • English Literature Paper 2	
Useful websites or resources	https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/english-revision/gcse-aqa/ www.bbcbitesize.co.uk www.sparknotes.com www.aqa.org.uk • York Notes for GCSE on the texts your child is studying • AQA English Language revision guides (a variety of publications are available in book shops or on Amazon) There are numerous revision resources shared with classes on their Teams page	
What parents can do to support learning	 Ensure and no Discuss possibl Discuss work b Ensure Ensure follows -Learr explair -Compages -Plan -Work -Mind struct 	that students read regularly from a wide range of genres of fiction n-fiction, including quality press and journals. It the texts studied with students, considering different is ideas for writing with students and encourage them to plan their efore writing. It that students proof read their work. It students revise for English exams effectively. Some ideas as is: In the conventions of different writing styles e.g. writing to inform, n, describe, persuade, argue, advise And practice using them! In the past papers (available on the AQA website and class Teams



Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	8 lessons per fortnight
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	3- 4 pieces per fortnight Work will include a fortnightly reading exercise, preparatory reading and annotating; written pieces; planning and preparing for assessments; making notes on a reading task and research. Each task should take approximately 40-45 minutes.
End of year exam will assess	Topics as listed above



Subject	GCSE Film Studies		
Examination board	WJEC/Eduqas		
Assessment	70% examination 30% coursework		
What is film studies?	In GCSE film studies, you will study a range of films, from different eras and different countries. You will learn how to discuss these films using specialist terminology, with a focus on the key elements of cinematography, mise-en-scène, editing, performance and sound. You will also apply these skills to a practical task in which you are either the writer or director of a short film.		
What skills will I learn/develop?	 Practical skills: screenplay writing; camera skills; use of film editing software Analytical skills Application of film theory 		
offers you:	This course offers you the opportunity to extend and deepen your knowledge of a subject for which you already have an existing interest or passion; it offers this through an in-depth study of films from Britain, Hollywood, Japan and South Africa; from independent through to mainstream cinema; and encompassing sixty years of film history.		
	In addition, you get to demonstrate how your flair for artistry, creativity and imaginative thinking can be translated into a fully-realised practical piece.		
	For the practical filmmaking element, you will be required to shoot your films outside of school.		
Who might find this course suits them?	This course will appeal to students who have a passion for film enjoy analysing texts enjoy arts and humanities subjects are creative		
How could the course help with my future?	A large number of students who study film at GCSE go on to take it at A-level. Of these, many will then go on to study it at university. This can lead to a career in the creative industries, either in film itself or in the broader context of the media sector. Those who do not take it past GCSE will learn cross-curricular skills that will help in other arts and humanities subjects. Beyond this, it will deepen your appreciation of a form of narrative that has, over the past century, become one of the most important modes of artistic		
How do I find out more?	Visit: https://www.eduqas.co.uk/qualifications/film-studies/gcse/		
For further informati on contact:	Miss Socrates – GCSE Film Teacher		
End of year exam will assess:	Paper 2: Component 2 – District 9, Spirited Away, Skyfall		



Subject	GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition	
Examination Board	AQA	
Main topics/areas studied this year	During this term students will be building upon their prior learning and will enhance their knowledge and understanding of what constitutes a healthy, balanced diet. Students will be taught how and when to use different food preparation skills to achieve a range of different outcomes. Students will gain knowledge and understanding of food nutrition and health. Areas covered are:	
	During this term students will be developing their knowledge and understanding of food science and food safety. Content will include:	
	 During this term students will be developing their knowledge and understanding food choice and food provenance. Content will include: Factors which may influence food choice Food choice related to religion, culture, ethical and medical conditions British and international cuisines Environmental impact and sustainability of food Students will apply their knowledge and understanding gained throughout the year by completing a mini nonexamined assessment task. 	
Assessment Headlines	 Paper 1 – Food Preparation and Nutrition – 50% Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of nutrition, food, cooking and preparation Apply knowledge and understanding of nutrition, food, cooking and preparation Analyse and evaluate different aspects of nutrition food, cooking and preparation 	



	 Non-exam assessment – 50% Task 1 – 15%: Food Investigation. Students are assessed on their understanding of the working characteristics, functional and chemical properties of ingredients. Students will produce a written report (1,500-2,000) words including photographic evidence. Task 2 – 35%: Food Preparation Assessment. Students are assessed on their knowledge, skills and understanding in relation to planning, preparation, cooking, presentation of food and application of nutrition related to the chosen task. Students will produce a portfolio including photographic evidence and plan, prepare, cook and present a final menu of three dishes. 			
Useful websites or resources	www.bbc.co.uk/food/recipes www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/design/foodtech www.dianasdesserts.com/ www.nutrition.org.uk/healthyliving/basics/what-are-nutrients www.nutrition.org.uk/healthyliving/healthyeating www.nutrition.org.uk/healthyliving/seasons/why-eat-seasonally www.nutrition.org.uk/nutritionscience/allergy www.foodafactoflife.org.uk/ www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/design/foodtech/systemspracticesrev6.shtml www.s-cool.co.uk/gcse/food-technology www.videojug.com/film/how-to-make-fresh-pasta http://explorefood.foodafactoflife.org.uk/ The Food Technology Room has a range of recipe books that you can use to source recipes Nutrients (a program on the school network) is excellent for calculating and analysing the nutritional composition of food products that you design and make – Modelling TV programmes such as Master Chef and The Great British Bake Off are excellent sources for inspiring and creating original ideas.			
What parents can do to support learning	 Help students fully prepare for food practical lessons by ensuring they have a large container, apron and T Towel. Ensure the only ingredients brought into school are fresh fruit and vegetables and kosher fish. Encourage students to evaluate their practical work the same day whilst it is still fresh in their mind; Encourage students to be independent learners; Encourage students to research and investigate food made by a wide range of chefs to use as inspiration when they are designing their own food products; Ensure all Home Learning and Coursework deadlines are met. Encourage students to revise through topics covered during lessons to help prepare for the written exam. 			
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	10 lessons per fortnight			



How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Two pieces of home learning per week each lasting 30 minutes or one lasting 1 hour. Preparation for practical lessons is also expected.	
End of year exam will assess	Knowledge, understanding and application of the theoretical content via written examination paper.	



Subject	French
Examination Board:	AQA
Why should I choose this course?	Languages are an invaluable skill to have and is also a pre-requisite for lots of university courses. Languages can be combined with almost every subject at university from Law to Maths, Fashion to Computer Science and taking a language means spending a year abroad while at university.
What will I gain from it?	The study of French, in particular, will open up a world of experiences and allow you to access cultures across the globe, from Canada to the Ivory Coast. French is one of the official languages of the United Nations, the European Union, the Olympic Committee and the International Red Cross and is spoken by 79 million native speakers and 190 million secondary speakers in over 24 countries. French is the largest donor of foreign words in English and the impact of Francophone literature, fashion, food, cinema and history on the United Kingdom is enormous. What skills will I need? Learning a language requires a certain amount of drive, patience and enthusiasm. So here's a quick reminder about how great languages are to keep you motivated: • They increase your memory. • They make you and your CV stand out from the crowd when applying for jobs. • People who speak more than one language earn more money. • Languages enable you to travel all over the world and meet some really amazing people.
What will I learn on this course?	The topics on the course cover the following areas, some of which you have met at a less complex level during Year 9: Theme 1: Identity and culture Theme 2: Local, national, international and global areas of interest Theme 3: Current and future study & employment You will be learning how to talk about these themes in relation to your own experiences and those of other people, including people in countries/communities where French is spoken.
Do I have to have prior knowledge?	In order to take GCSE French you will need to have studied French in Key Stage 3 or will need to have experience of speaking & learning French in another context. You will need to have a good understanding of the past, present & future tenses.



How will I be examined?	 GCSE French has a Foundation Tier (grades 1–5) and a Higher Tier (grades 4–9). Students must take all four papers at the same tier. Combinations of tiers across the skills will not be possible. All question papers must be taken in the same series. There will be an assessment of each of the four skills: Listening, Speaking, Reading & Writing. Paper 1 – Listening 25 % of GCSE. Section A questions will be in English to be answered in English. Section B questions will be in French to be answered in French Paper 2 – Speaking 25% of GCSE. Non-exam assessment 7-9 minutes (Foundation), 10-12 minutes (Higher). The assessment will be split into three parts: Role Play, Photo Card and General Conversation. Paper 3 – Reading 25%. Section A questions will be in English to be answered in English. Section B questions will be in French to be answered in French. Section C translation from French to English. Paper 4 – Writing 25%. Students will be required to produce a written response in French to a variety of tasks including structured writing in which students respond to four compulsory detailed bullet points, producing between 90 or 150 words depending on the Tier. At the Higher Tier students will also be expected to translate from English into French.
More information can be found at:	http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/gcse/french-8658
Contact:	Mrs Armon– Head of Languages
End of year exam will assess	2 skills will be assessed. This will cover a range of topics learnt throughout the academic year.



Subject	GCSE Geography	
Examination Board	Edexcel B	
	Autumn Paper 1: Global Geographical Issues Hazardous Earth Climate change and the impact of human activity Natural hazards and the impact on humans Development dynamics	
Main topics/areas studied over the two years	Measuring development and the development gap Bottom up and top down development strategies Case study of developed country Global trends and patterns of urbanisation Case study of a megacity Paper 2: UK Geographical Issues Geology and landscape of UK Coastal landscapes and processes Impact of human activity on coasts Challenges of managing coastal landscapes River landscapes and processes Challenges of managing river landscapes Study of UK demographic Case study of changing city in UK Paper 3:People and Environment Issues Global distribution of biomes The Biosphere and its importance to humans Threats to forest biomes Sustainable management of rainforest Growing importance of energy and sustainable management	
Assessment Headlines	 All to be taken in the Summer term of Y11 (usually May-July) Paper 1: Global Geographical Issues 37.5% (94 marks; 1 hour 30 minutes) Paper 2: UK Geographical Issues 37.5% (94 marks; 1 hour 30 minutes) Paper 3: People and Environment Issues 25% (64 marks; 1 hour 30 minutes) 	
Useful websites or resources	https://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/GCSE/Geography-B/2016/specification-and-sample-assessments/Specification GCSE L1-L2 Geography B.pdf http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/geography/ http://www.geography.learnontheinternet.co.uk/gcse/revision_step1.html#aqab http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/geography-b-2016.coursematerials.html#filterQuery=category:Pearson-UK:Category%2FSpecification-and-sample-assessments	



	https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/geography-b-2016.coursematerials.html#filterQuery=Pearson-UK:Category%2FExam-materials	
What parents can do to support learning	 Buy an atlas for use at home as well as a textbook to cover the course Download and use the maths support guide for Geography (See link below) Buy Edexcel textbook GCSE (9-1) Geography specification B: Investigating Geographical Issues ISBN 9781446927762 Encourage students to use the Edexcel website to make use of exam papers, mark schemes and examiner's reports to consolidate their exam technique. Encourage students to make notes and flash cards after each unit using specification and textbook to guide note taking. Specification can be found here: http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/geography-b-2016.coursematerials.html#filterQuery=category:Pearson-UK:Category%2FSpecification-and-sample-assessments 	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	5 lessons per fortnight.	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Normally 3 pieces each fortnight, taking 30 minutes on average. Some pieces may span more than 1 Home learning slot and some may be shorter or longer, depending on the nature of the lessons.	
End of GCSE exam will assess:	Everything in the curriculum.	



Subject	GCSE History	
Examination Board	AQA	
	Autumn • Britain: Health and the People	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Spring Britain: Health and the People Conflict between East and West 1945-1972 (Paper 1)	
	Summer • Conflict between East and West 1945-1972 (Paper 1) • America 1920-1973	
Assessment Headlines	At the end of every section – mock exam questions Mock examination in the summer term Students will be assessed using examination mark schemes	
Useful websites or resources	www.schoolhistory.co.uk www.Johndclare.net www.bbcbitesize.co.uk/history www.bbc.co.uk/history	
What parents can do to support learning	 Use the recommended revision books to help their children to create little revision aids after every section. Test their children before an assessment and help them gauge the depth of their knowledge. Help their child join a library so they can request books to read around the subject. Look at the resources and extend section of the Year 10 History page of Moodle with their children. 	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	5 lessons per fortnight.	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Approximately 1 ½ hours per week – this may vary depending on revision	
End of year exam will assess:	Britain: Health and the People	



Subject	GCSE Jewish Education
Examination Board	AQA (A8062)
Main topics/areas studied this year	Islam: Key Beliefs and teachings



		 Jihad: different understandings of jihad: the meaning and significance of greater and lesser jihad; origins, influence and conditions for the declaration of lesser jihad Festivals and commemorations and their importance for Muslims in Great Britain today, including the origins and meanings of Id-ul-Adha, Id-ul-Fitr, Ashura
	Spring	Judaism: Key Beliefs and Teachings Within this topic, candidates should show understanding of the key beliefs and sources of authority that underpin the Jewish way of life and influence their behaviour and attitudes. • Jewish concepts of God: • the unity of God; the Shema • God as creator and sustainer; • God as law-giver and judge • God as redeemer and sanctifier. • The Covenant: • Israel as God's chosen people; • the Covenant and the land – Covenant with Abraham; • the centrality of the Torah (written and oral) to the Covenant; • the Messianic Age and life after death • Key Moral principles
	Summer	In this topic, candidates should show understanding of Jewish views on relationships and family life. Ceremonies associated with birth and brit milah; Bar/bat mitzvah and bat chayil; The importance of the family; Contribution of the synagogue to family life; Marriage ceremony and its significance; Ceremonies associated with heath and mourning. Shabbat; Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur; Pesach; Dietary laws – kosher and treifah, separation of milk and meat; Revision: Preparation for the end of year exam
Assessment Headlines	answers. At the en	ns at the end of Year 11, made up of short medium and long Each exam is worth 50% of the total GCSE. d of each unit, students will sit an assessment modelled on the eer. Students will also complete a keywords test for each unit.



Useful websites or resources	 jewishvirtuallibrary.org jewfaq.org/index.htm www.chabad.org/ www.masorti.org.uk/ www.reformjudaism.org/ www.theus.org/ 	
What parents can do to support learning Number of lessons per	 Encourage the students to read up on the topics covered; Encourage discussion about topics of Jewish interest; Encouraging students to visit Jewish museum s and events on the topics covered. 	
fortnight in this subject	5 lessons per fortnight	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Normally 1 piece each week, each taking 1 hour on average	
End of year exam will assess:	Islam Beliefs Islam Practices Judaism Beliefs	
	Judaism Practices	



Subject	Kvutzah – PSHCE (Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education)	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Autumn	 Managing Money Money, Income, Tax and Pensions Budgeting Game Insurance and Housing Personal and Internet Safety Gambling Education Internet Safety Fraud Education Run, Hide, Tell Antisemitism
	Spring	 Relationships and Sex Education Consent and Communication Behaviours, Exploitation and Coercion Sexting and Online Safety Pregnancy and Fertility
	Summer	 Substance Misuse Drugs and their Effects The Law and Drug Users Alcohol, Drink Spiking and Risk Reduction Mental Health
Assessment Headlines	Stress Management Kvutzah (PSHCE) is delivered by a team of PSHCE specialist teachers and they will be evaluating the impact of learning over time. Teachers regularly monitor students and interventions are put in place for students that teachers have concerns about.	
What parents can do to support learning	 Encourage students to discuss the issues that they have been learning about in Kvutzah (PSHCE). There may be questions that they may only feel comfortable asking parents or they may wish to discuss a particularly interesting topic. Encourage students to engage with current affairs. 	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	1 lesson per fortnight. There will be a number of informal opportunities outside of lesson for students to take part in.	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Home learning will	be minimal however project work may be set.



Subject	GCSE Latin			
Examinatio n Board	Eduqas			
	Cambridge Latin Course end of Book II and beginning of Book III: Stage 19-23 Main language features:			
Main topics/area s studied this year	Cambridge Latin Course Book III: Stage 24-27 Main language features:			
	Cambridge Latin Course Book III: Stage 28 Latin Literature and Sources: 'A Day at the Races' Main language features:			



	 Revision of Roman Civilisation topic studied in Autumn and Spring 		
	Four assessments over the year testing skills from Translation (Latin-English),		
Accocomon	Comprehension, Literary Analysis, Understanding of Grammar and Roman		
Assessmen t Headlines	Civilisation sources		
t Headilles	Students' overall predicted end of year levels are a mixture of the level in the		
	assessment and ongoing teacher assessment throughout the term.		
	 http://www.cambridgescp.com (see esp the online vocab tester) 		
	http://latinipadapps.com/		
	 http://www.britishmuseum.org/explore/cultures/europe/ancient_ro 		
	me.aspx		
115.61	http://www.theclassicslibrary.com		
Useful websites or			
resources	http://www.perseus.tufts.edu/hopper/ https://wwi.elat.eau./		
resources	• https://quizlet.com/		
	Apps: ■ Lexidum		
	Quizlet		
	Memrise – good vocab learning app!		
	Encourage students to spend a good amount of time learning vocabulary and		
	word tables. 'Little but often' should be the mantra! Offer to test them on		
	these. Make sure they spend their time on the words that they do not yet know		
What	(rather than going over ones which they are confident with). Flashcards can		
parents can	enable them to do this very efficiently.		
do to	Work with students on using the dictionary at the back of their text books and		
support	their grammar notes, rather than Google Translate. Translating word for word		
learning	rarely works but many students at this stage of their learning do rely on it when		
	completing tasks at home. This inhibits their progress as it is precisely the		
	process of translation – i.e. the steps involved in figuring out what the Latin		
	means - that they need to learn.		
Number of			
lessons per	6 lossons per fortnight		
fortnight in	6 lessons per fortnight		
this subject			
How much	Normally one piece each week, taking 40-60 minutes on average. Students will be		
Home	given regular vocabulary and grammar tests - not reaching the pass mark will result		
Learning is	in a lunchtime re-test. Sometimes extended learning pieces will be set but these will		
expected per week?	never be due in for the next day. Worksheets, grammar exercises or short passages for translation may be set for completion over night.		
End of	Translation and comprehension skills		
year			
exam			
will			
assess:			



Subject	GCSE Maths		
Examination Board	Edexcel		
Main topics/areas studied this year	Higher	Foundation	
	 Equations and inequalities Probability Multiplicative reasoning 	 Graphs Transformations Ratio and proportion	
	Spring Spring Similarity and congruence Trigonometry Further statistics	TrigonometryProbabilityMultiplicative reasoning	
	 Equations and Graphs Circle theorems Further Algebra 	 Construction, Loci and bearings Quadratic equations and graphs Perimeter, area and volume 	
Assessment Headlines	 Unit test assessments are set after each topic; this will be in the form of a class test. Students will then have the opportunity to improve through retest questions. Students will sit an actual GCSE exam paper in June. Just like the actual GCSE there will be three papers; one non-calculator paper and two calculator papers. 		
Useful websites or resources	 http://www.mymaths.co.uk (login down http://www.mathswatchvle.com (login down https://hegartymaths.com/ (login down https://mathsbot.com/gcseMenu https://mathsbot.com/gcseMenu http://www.ukmt-resources.org.uk/ https://corbettmaths.com/ https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/gcse https://www.piximaths.co.uk/ks2-ks https://mathsmadeeasy.co.uk/gcse 	etails are provided by etails are provided by JCoSS) /index-tr.html e.html s3-ks4-resource-index	
What parents can do to support learning	 Encourage students to complete set, to use notes provided or the learning. Encourage students to log onto Hegarty Maths (even when it is a discover new areas of maths and Encourage students to revise by for any upcoming unit tests. When it comes to revision in the and work through at home using videos to aid them in topics they 	Home learning on the day it is websites above to support MyMaths, Mathswatch or not set for Home Learning) to d practise Key Skills. completing practise questions summer, print off past papers a corbettmaths or hegartymaths	



Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	8 lessons per fortnight
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Students are set home learning tasks twice a week in the form of 3 or 4 hegartymaths tasks online.
End of year exam will assess:	Every unit in the entire GCSE scheme of work for Maths.



Subject	GCSE Media Studies	
Examination Board	OCR	
	Autum n	Television – contemporary and historic programmes
Main topics/areas studied this year	Spring	Music – one major music magazine, music videos and radio
	Summe r	Externally set brief (coursework unit)
Assessment Headlines	Students will be externally assessed at the end of year 11, however there will be end of unit tests throughout year 10. These assessments focus on the four key concepts of Media Studies: 1. Media Language 2. Audience 3. Representation 4. Institution	
Useful websites or resources	 Websites: Cuffs, Series 1, Episode 1, BBC 1 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=odxvXg063-Y The Avengers, Series 4, Episode 1, ITV https://www.bbc.com/watch?v=edT7e6R7jwk&list=PLnWfjMgMnaNXQ0ZMvSB6CgJKbS3pYJB3z&index=4 BBC Live Lounge http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p01029mg 	
What parents can do to support learning	Encourage students to consume all types of media, rather than just those they are interested in. E.g. Magazines, newspapers, radio. Encourage students to watch/listen to the set texts	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	5 lessons per fortnight	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	2-3 Home Learnings are set a fortnight. The majority of these will take 45 minutes to complete and will not be required for the next day. The media suite is available during lunchtimes for completion of homework.	
End of year exam will assess:	The TV Unit (Q1-5) and the Music Unit (only Q1-4) It will assess the theoretical framework across these units, with the appropriate set texts.	



Subject	Y10 Cambridge Nationals in Creative imedia	
Examination Board	OCR	
	Autumn	Graphic Design
Main topics/areas studied this year	Spring	Graphic Design and Comic Strips
	Summer	Comic Strips
Assessment Headlines	Students are assessed continuously throughout the year with 3 coursework based units and an exam. There are resit opportunities for the exam, and resubmission opportunities for the coursework elements.	
What parents can do to support learning	Encourage students to consume all types of media, rather than just those they are interested in. e.g. Magazines, newspapers, radio, comics	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	5 lessons per fortnight	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	2-3 Home Learning tasks are set a fortnight. The majority of these will take 45 minutes to complete and will not be required for the next day. The media suite is available during lunchtimes for completion of homework.	
End of year exam will assess:	N/A	



Subject	GCSE Modern Hebrew	
Examination Board	AQA AQA- GCSE Specification-Modern Hebrew (8678)	
Main topics/areas studied this year	 Me, my family and friends Technology in everyday life Free time activities Customs and festivals 	
	 Home, town, neighborhood & region Social issues: Healthy/unhealthy lifestyles, visiting the Doctor, symptoms and prescriptions. Global issues: Charity / voluntary work, the environment, poverty/ homelessness 	
Assessment Headlines	Students are assessed continuously throughout the course of Key Stage Four through: • Monitoring and feedback from classwork, home learning, practice GCSE questions • End of unit tests (GCSE questions) – Reading, Speaking, Listening & Writing • Tests on new vocabulary and grammatical patterns • Mock examination	
Useful websites or resources	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/gcse/modern-hebrew-8678 Memrise – vocabulary revision	
What parents can do to support learning	 Encourage students to spend time learning vocabulary for spelling tests. Show students how to proof read their work, with a particular emphasis on verbs, adjectival agreements and spelling. Students will always have their grammar notes needed to complete work accurately in their books but they will have to look back at it when working at home. Working with students on using a good online or paper dictionary rather than google translate. Translating word by word rarely works but many students at this stage do rely on it when completing tasks at home, which often limits their progress. Encouraging students to revise well for their Speaking assessments putting an emphasis on pace, accuracy and content. 	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	5 lessons per fortnight	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Two Home Learning tasks are set each week taking about 40-60 minutes each. In addition students may also be given vocabulary to learn on a regular basis.	



End of year exam will assess:

Theme 1 (GCSE) topics: Me, my family & friends; technology in everyday life; free time activities



Subject	Music	
Examination Board	Edexcel	
Main topics/areas studied this year	 Performance skills – students will work together as a group to create a performance for the end of term concert. They will also work on their solo performances Composition skills – students will create a group composition that explores the key elements of music Analysis – students will look at three pieces from Areas of study (Killer Queen/Music For a While/Samba Em Preludio) 	
	 Performance skills – students will work together as a group to create a performance for the end of term concert. They will also work on their solo performances. Composition skills – students will create a composition based around one of the areas of study Analysis – students will look at three pieces from the Areas of study (Defying Gravity, Release, Brandenbug Concerto No.5) 	
	 Performance skills – students will work together as a group to create a performance for the end of term concert. They will also work on their solo performances. Composition skills – students will create a composition based around one of the areas of study Analysis – students will look at two pieces from the Areas of study (Star Wars/Sonata Pathetique) 	
Assessment Headlines	Two performances: one solo and one group, lasting for a minimum of 4 minutes (combined) Two compositions lasting for a minimum of 4 minutes (combined)	
Useful websites or resources	BBC Bitesize GCSE Music http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zpf3cdm Music Theory & Dictation Practice https://www.teoria.com/ Music Theory https://www.musictheory.net/ Edexcel GCSE Site https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/music-2016.html Score writing software https://musescore.org/en	
What parents can do to support learning	Ensure that students regularly practice on their instrument and take part in a school ensemble/school productions. Listen to a wide variety of music. Students should be encouraged to attend as many concerts and performances as possible.	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	5 lessons per fortnight.	



How much home learning is expected per week?	Students are expected to spend most of their home learning time practising for their performances (solo and ensemble). This should be at least 15 minutes each day wherever possible
End of year exam will assess	Culminated skills in performance, composition and analysis.



Subject	Subject GCSE Physical Education		
Examination Board	Edexcel		
Examination Board	Euexcei		
Main topics/areas studied this year	Autumn	Applied Anatomy and Physiology	
	Spring	Applied Anatomy and PhysiologyMovement Analysis	
	Summer	Physical trainingPEP	
		ritten Examination 1 – 90 marks – 1 hour 45 mins = 36% of ialification	
Assessment Headlines		ritten Examination 2 – 70 marks – 1 hour 15 mins = 24% of ialification	
		actical Assessment (3 sports)– 105 marks = 30% of ialification	
		ersonal Exercise Programme (PEP) – 20 marks = 10% of lalification	
		ww.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/pe	
Useful websites or		ww.teachpe.com/gcse.php	
resources	www.bbc.co.uk/academywww.theeverlearner.com		
		_	
		scourage students to discuss the work completed in class sure students complete the evaluation of class work and any	
What parents can do		ome learning	
to support learning		couraging students to read sports books and magazines	
		courage students to use The Ever learner to revise and to mplete quizzes	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	5 lessons per fortnight		
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	1 hour per week.		



Subject	Physical Education - Core	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Sports Badminton Basketball Dance Dodge ball Fitness Training Football Netball Rounders Softball Table Tennis Trampolining	
Assessment Headlines	 Students continue to learn how to lead healthy active lifestyles Students are assessed on their physical effort in Core PE lessons Continue to take part regularly in competitive sports and activities outside school through community links or sports clubs. 	
Useful websites or resources	 BBC Sports Academy - http://news.bbc.co.uk/sport1/hi/academy/default.stm Youth Sport Trust – http://www.youthsporttrust.org/ JCoSS football results –	
What parents can do to support learning	 Aid participation in clubs outside of school Watching sporting events/ competitions on the television and at stadium events 	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	2 lessons per fortnight	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Not applicable	



Subject		GCSE S	Sciences	
Exam Board and GCSE Courses Studied	GCSEGCSEGCSE Trilogy (form	AQA rmerly known as 'Triple Biology (8461) Chemistry (8462) Physics (8463) nerly known as 'Double ned Science: Trilogy (8	') Science:	
Further detail on content of GCSE Courses	Biology	1. Cell Biology 2. Principles of Organisation 3. Infection and Response 4. Bioenergetics 5. The Bodies Control 6. Inheritance, variation and evolution 7. Ecology	Paper 1: Topics 1-4 Written exam (1 Hour 45 mins) Foundation or Higher Tier 100 marks 50% of GCSE Paper 2: Topics 5 – 7 Written exam (1 Hour 45 mins) Foundation or Higher Tier 100 marks	Trilogy GCSE Exams Paper 1: Topics 1-4 Written exam (1 Hour 15 mins) Foundation or Higher Tier To marks 16.7% of GCSE Paper 2: Topics 5 – 7 Written exam (1 Hour 15 mins) Foundation or Higher Tier 70 marks 16.7% of GCSE
	Chemistry	 Atomic Structure and the periodic table Bonding, Structure, and the Properties of Matter Quantitative Chemistry Chemical Changes Energy Changes 	Paper 1: Topics 1-5 Written exam (1 Hour 45 mins) Foundation or Higher Tier 100 marks 50% of GCSE Paper 2: Topics 6 – 10	Paper 1: Topics 1-5 Written exam (1 Hour 15 mins) Foundation or Higher Tier 70 marks 16.7% of GCSE Paper 2: Topics 6 – 10



		 6. The rate and extent of chemical change 7. Organic chemistry 8. Chemical analysis 9. Chemistry of the atmosphere 10. Using resources 	 Written exam (1 Hour 45 mins) Foundation or Higher Tier 100 marks 50% of GCSE 	 Written exam (1 Hour 15 mins) Foundation or Higher Tier 70 marks 16.7% of GCSE
	Physics	 Forces Energy Waves Electricity Magnetism and Electromagnetism Particle model of matter Atomic Structure Space Physics 	Paper 1: Topics 1-4 Written exam (1 Hour 45 mins) Foundation or Higher Tier 100 marks 50% of GCSE Paper 2: Topics 5 – 8 Written exam (1 Hour 45 mins) Foundation or Higher Tier 100 marks	Paper 1: Topics 1-4 Written exam (1 Hour 15 mins) Foundation or Higher Tier To marks 16.7% of GCSE Paper 2: Topics 5 – 7 Written exam (1 Hour 15 mins) Foundation or Higher Tier To marks 16.7% of GCSE
	their learnin separate cou worth of lea	Science and the separage. However, there is mourses. This extra contentring. The topics still maintain	ore content in eac It will equate to ar	h section for the n extra GCSE's
Main topics/areas studied this year	taught.	Units 1 – 4 in each of Bion		nd Physics will be
Assessment Headlines	1. Monitorin Home Learn	e assessed continuously ig and feedback from C ing / assessed Hinge Qu it tests (GCSE questions minations	lasswork including uestions / Practice	g mini quizzes/



Assessment Key Dates	There is no coursework in the Science GCSE courses. Internal assessments will be run throughout the year, when it is appropriate based on the timeline of each individual class. There will be mock examinations during the school exam periods in the Summer Term and during Year 11 in preparation for the final GCSE exams. All external exams will take place in the summer of Year 11
Useful websites or resources	Kerboodle: Students can access electronic textbooks and other resources. They have been issued usernames and passwords. http://www.kerboodle.com Seneca Learning: Teachers will set home learning through this website, and there are other activities to engage our students in science that they can complete in their own time. www.senecalearning.com Other useful websites: http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/science/aqa/http://www.freezeray.com/http://www.echalk.co.uk/http://www.planet-science.com/http://www.schoolscience.co.uk/http://www.arkive.org/http://www.arkive.org/http://royalsociety.org/http://scienceteachinglibrary.wordpress.com/
What parents can do to support learning	Encourage students to Think Pink: Students are issued a mini pink book to practise recall of key knowledge as defined as question and answers on pink sheets for all topics. Make it fun- quiz them, let them quiz you, maybe build in some rewards if you can. There is a lot of information that has to be retained to be successful in GCSE Science. The more automatic this recall is the easier they will find the subjects. Learning by rote seems old fashioned but it is absolutely vital and is something parents can really help with and encourage. Encourage students to write using the PEE strategy: P - Point - Make a point E - Evidence - What evidence do you have to support your point? E - Explanation - Explain your point and evidence using your scientific knowledge and understanding, expand your answer to include scientific detail, keywords and diagrams.
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	9 lessons for Trilogy science to be taught on a rotation basis where students will study approximately half a term of each subject with a specialist teacher. Foundation classes will have two teachers on a 5:4 lesson per fortnight split. 14 lessons for the separate sciences (5 of Physics & Chemistry and 4 of Biology)



How much home learning is expected per week?	Two to three home learning tasks are set each week taking about 40 - 60 minutes each. Self quizzing using Carousel online platform will be a standing requirement.
End of year exam will	Topics as listed above
assess	



Subject	GCSE Sociology		
Examination Board	AQA		
Main topics/areas studied this year	Autumn	 The sociological approach: What is Sociology? Key issues in Sociology. Sociological research methods: How do sociologists study society? How do sociologists go about their research? 	
	Spring	Families: What is a family? What different family types are there in the UK?	
	Summer	• Education	
Assessment Headlines	questRegulationthe coKey wThe So skills of	ar short and longer answer essays/exam questions throughout	
Useful websites or resources	guides, flat Tutor2U: gcse-socio Soc Image topical so BBC New at the top The Guar students: The Indep features a sociologic UK Parlia follow the AQA Web https://w 8192/asse	ing: http://getrevising.co.uk/ Useful for ready-made revision ashcards and PowerPoint presentations. https://www.tutor2u.net/sociology/store/selections/aqa-plogy-teaching-revision-resources Great for revision notes. betaching-revision-resources Great for revision notes. betaching-revision-resources Twitter page featuring ciological images and discussion. betaching-revision-resources Twitter page featuring ciological images and discussion. betaching-revision-resources This website issues/pages and articles. dian: https://www.bec.ouk/news/ Use the search bar and tabs to search for Sociology related issues/pages and articles. dian: https://www.theguardian.com/uk This website enables to read articles on key contemporary issues. betaching-resources This website state cover key all issues in the family, education, crime, workplace. ment Website: http://www.parliament.uk/ Great website to elatest news in government. ment Website: http://www.parliament.uk/ Great website to elatest news in government. ment Website: http://www.parliament.uk/ Great website to elatest news in government. ment Website: http://www.parliament.uk/ Great website to elatest news in government. ment Website: http://www.parliament.uk/ Great website to elatest news in government. ment Website: http://www.parliament.uk/ Great website sociology-essment-reso	
What parents can do to support learning	• St ke th • Er	udents are encouraged to read the news regularly in order to ep up-to-date with issues in Society so they are able to apply is knowledge in their exam. Icourage students to watch the news e.g. The BBC, Prime inister's Questions.	



	Bookmark relevant online news articles/stories.
	Stress the importance of using evidence and examples to link
	their learning and real world events.
	 Invest in an affordable and useful revision guide: AQA GCSE
	Sociology All-in-One Revision and Practice (Collins GCSE 9-1
	Revision) (ISBN: 978-0008227456) from £7.04 at Amazon.co.uk.
	This Sociology Revision and Practice guide contains clear and
	accessible explanations of all the GCSE content, with lots of
	practice opportunities for each topic throughout the book.
	There are clear and concise revision notes for every topic
	covered in the curriculum, plus seven practice opportunities to
	ensure the best results.
	AQA Website: Make use of the AQA website to make use of free
	exam papers, mark schemes and examiner's reports.
Number of lessons	
per fortnight in this subject	5 lessons per fortnight.
Subject	
How much Home	Normally 2 pieces each fortnight, taking 30-45 minutes on average. During their own investigation, students will self-manage their Home
Learning is expected	Learning, using a checklist to ensure all aspects of their research has
per week?	been covered.
End of year exam	Family and Households unit with half of a full paper.
will assess:	Tanana and and announced a ram paper.



Subject	GCSE Spanish		
Examination Board	AQA		
	Autumn	 Theme: Local, national, international and global areas of interest: Travel and tourism: Talking about holiday preferences Talking about a past holiday Describing a trip to Barcelona Booking accommodation and dealing with problems Giving an account of a holiday in the past Grammar: using three twnses together (present, preterite and imperfect); Using verbs with usted, using opinions 	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Spring	Theme: Current and future study and employment: Life at school/college: Describing school uniform and the school day Describing your school Talking about school rules and problems Talking about plans for a school exchange Talking about activities and achievements Grammar: Using negatives and comparatives/superlatives, Using phrases followed by the infinitive, Using the near future tense, Desde hace + present tense Using direct object pronouns Theme: Identity and culture: Me, my family and friends: Talking about socialising and family Describing people Technology in everyday life: Talking about social networks Free-time activities and making arrangements Talking about reading preferences Describing relationships Grammar: Possessive adjectives , Present tense, Stem changing verbs (poder, querer) , Using adjectival agreement, Using para with infinitives, Using the present continuous, Using a range of connectives, Using reflexive verbs for relationships Using ser and estar , Referring to present and past together	



		Theme: Identity and culture: Free-time activities:	
		Talking about free-time activities	
		Talking about TV programmes and films	
		Talking about what you usually do	
		Talking about sports	
		 Technology in everyday life: Talking about what's 	
		trending	
		_	
		Discussing different types of entertainment Tallian also to the inscise and the inscise	
		Talking about who inspires you	
	Summer	Grammar: Using stem-changing verbs , definite and	
	Julilliel	indefinite articles, Using <i>soler</i> + infinitive, perfect tense and	
		revision on imperfect to say what you used to do, Using	
		algunos/otros/muchos/ demasiados , Using tener ganas de +	
		infinitive	
		Mock Exams preparation	
		Speaking preparation and skills	
		Reading practice and skills	
		Listening practice and skills	
		Writing practice and skills	
	• St	udents will be assessed in Speaking, Listening, Reading,	
Assessment Headlines	Writing and Translation skills throughout the year.		
Assessment neadmies	Students' overall report card levels are a mixture of the level in		
	the assessment and their work throughout the term.		
	• www.	linguascope.com (your child will have a username and	
	password)		
	<u>www.wordreference.com</u> (a good online dictionary)		
	www.languagesonline.org		
Useful websites or	www.kerboodle.com (your child will have a username and		
resources	password)		
	www.activeteachonline.com (your child will have a username and		
	password)		
	• Revisi	on guide for home revision and support in lessons	
	• Encou	rage students to spend a good amount of time learning	
What parents can do to support learning	vocabulary for spelling tests.		
	Show students how to proof-read their work, with a particular		
	emphasis on checking verb endings, adjectival agreements and		
	spellings. Students will always have the grammar notes needed to		
	· ·	ete work accurately in their books but they will need to look	
	·	it it when working at home.	
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	 Work with students on using a good online or paper dictionary rather than Google Translate. Translating word for word rarely works but many students at this stage of their learning do rely on it when completing tasks at home. This can then severely limit their levels. Checking progress using the Spanish guide as a resources for home testing of vocabulary and grammar
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	5 lessons per fortnight
How much home learning is expected per week?	Normally 1 piece each week, taking 1 hour on average. Students will be given spellings to learn on a regular basis and not reaching the pass mark will result in a lunchtime re-test. Sometimes extended learning pieces will be set but these will never be due in for the next day. Worksheets and grammar exercises may be required to be completed over night.
End of year exam will assess:	 Mock exam: listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking Topics: Holiday, School, Technology and media, Family, Free time Grammar: Focus on using present tense, present continuous, preteriet, imperfect and perfect, both futures and conditional as well as using complex language such as infinitive structures (para plus infinitive).