

24th February 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

I am pleased to share with you all an overview of the different topics, units, and areas of study your child/ren will be completing this half-term (February - April 2025) in each of their subjects. This information will be shared with you each half-term to support your understanding of the curriculum and any upcoming assessments.

If you would like further details, please visit our website where additional guidance on the curriculum for each subject at the different key stages is available.

Yours faithfully



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Year 10 – Spring 2

Subject	Curriculum Focus	Assessment
English	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Poetry Anthology Cluster 2(Worlds and Lives) Non-fiction Writing Skills 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Literature Paper 2 Style assessment Non-fiction Writing skills
Maths	Listing Strategies, Probability and Sets Using Exact Values- Values in terms of Pi and Surds Surds (Higher sets) Forming Equations and Solving using Iteration (Crossover sets) Fractions and exact value with Pi (Foundation) Box Plots and Cumulative Frequency (Higher & Crossover) Averages recap (Foundation)	Formative assessments
Biology	B5: homeostasis B6: inheritance, variation and evolution	End of topic test Learning check
Chemistry	C6: rate and extent of chemical change	Learning check
Physics	P5: Forces	Learning check
French	Talking about ideal holidays, festivals and accommodation using the conditional, perfect and imperfect tenses	mid module writing task

Spanish	Comparing your neighbourhood now and in the past using the imperfect tense	Receptive Productive
Geography	Section B Paper 2 The Development Gap – Students will learn about our unequal world and the reasons for it. They will investigate the impacts of uneven development and evaluate the various ways in which the development gap can be reduced.	Summative – GCSE questions on The Development Gap
History	Weimar & Nazi Germany KT2 – Hitler’s rise to power, 1919-1933 Weimar & Nazi Germany KT3 – The creation of a dictatorship, 1933-39	End of key topic assessments
PRE	Crime and Punishment unit including prisons, forgiveness and Death Penalty debates	Full topic test
PE GCSE	AEP write up – assessment conditions 2.2 goal setting 2.2 mental preparation 2.2 types of guidance 2.2 types of feedback	AEP write up tasks Homework booklets Log Books Activities 1/2/3 Mini mock 5
Sport BTEC	Leadership Unit - Task 2 – Applying practice methods to support improvements in a sporting activity	Coursework Homework – Task related
Art	Organic 3D vessel design - Continuing with the organic theme students will explore the work of a 3D artist which will then influence their own designs for an organic 3D vessel	AO1 AO2 AO3
Drama	Devising exam process begins – Component 1 Practitioner workshops Devising workshops	Portfolio Rehearsals
Music	Area of Study 2 for Listening Paper: Concerto Through Time	
Computer Science	1.4 Network security: Threats to computer systems like – Malware, Social engineering, etc. Common prevention methods like Penetration testing, Anti-malware, Encryption, etc. 1.5 System software – functions of Operating systems like user interface, user management, etc. 2.3 Producing robust programs: Testing, Errors, Test data. Trace tables. 2.4 Boolean logic: Logic diagrams for operators AND, OR, NOT (logic gates). Truth tables. Combining operators using AND, OR and NOT.	Formative feedback on lesson worksheets. End of unit test.
Design Technology GCSE 3D Products	Mock NEA assignment Zoomorphic lamp Theory session linked to summer exam paper Revisit-Recap-Rewrite-Revise tasks	Verbal/written/teams Peer feedback

Design Technology GCSE Textiles	Mock NEA task Theory based exam learning	End of unit assessment TEAMS/in class tests
Catering	Importance of food safety and following laws	Mock exam old past paper internal assessed
Business GCSE	Unit 3: Business Operations Customer service in businesses in Ely, Business report writing. Business ethics and the environment.	Progress check 3 – Customer service report
Media	Component 1: Analysis of context, media language and representation For the two magazine set products: Vogue and GQ	Exam style question
Hair and Beauty Level 2	Unit 203 – Design used in H&B Commence work for the Salon Skills showcase ERA – 1940's Research hair, make-up, nails, technological advancements and product availability, compare with today	Salon Skills Showcase Thursday 20 th March 2025
COPE/ ASDAN	7A5- how accidents can be avoided in 3 areas 7A6- Road Safety	Hazards and risks assessment Traffic signs & warnings Safety Poster
PSHE	Sexting and pornography Relationship abuse Pregnancy and fertility	
Core PE	5 options will be offered for students – Football (boys and girls), Trampolining (limited to 28), Dodgeball (not for the first 2 weeks due to exams) will join Handball, Handball, Yoga	