



YR11 Road to Success Information Evening

Small steps, big results.

Together, we can make Year 11 a success.

Mock Exams

- Week commencing 9 November
- 100% attendance non-negotiable
- Mock Results Day 17 December
- YR11 Parents Evening 17 December
- 5 Top Tips ahead of the exam
- These will be the results you show to Sixth Form and next steps

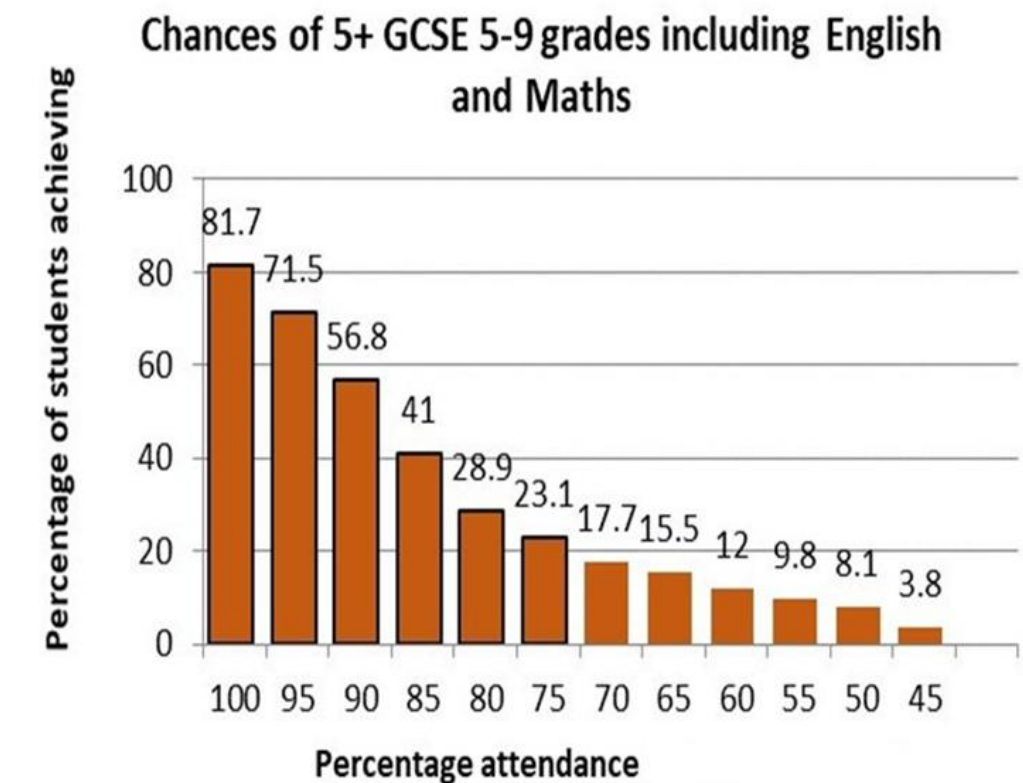


Attendance



- Clear statistical evidence between good attendance and good outcomes –if you are in school, you are learning.
- 96-100% attendance for all students
- Holidays can not be authorised.

WHY IS GOOD ATTENDANCE IMPORTANT?



While an attendance figure of 90% may not sound very low, research in 2016 showed it reduces a child's chance of achieving 5+ 5-9 grades at GCSE from 81% to around 57%. A child who averages 80% attendance during their secondary school career effectively misses one whole year of education and significantly reduces their chances of good grades.

Engagement is Crucial

Engagement in the classroom is essential. Successful students will:

- Be proactive, engaged, curious and resilient.
- Take extra opportunities—support & revision classes
- Interventions from last year improved outcome
- 35.4% to 45.1% achieving grade 5 in Maths & English
- (Now above national comparisons)
- Students that engaged the most made the most progress



Outside Classroom Learning

Utilise the opportunities beyond the classroom...

- Revision classes -some optional and some compulsory (In revision pack: QR code)
- Targeted supported groups
- Access to online revision and support e.g. Dr Frost, EverLearner
- School website –exam boards and specifications, mock exam timetables plus the BHS revision guide
- Revision guides –on Arbor to purchase.
- Class Teams channel–resources to support.
- Mentoring



Creating a Vision

- All year 11 students will be offered a 1-1 careers appointment.
- Assemblies/events/form activities throughout the year will look at post 16 options.
- Access to Unifrog for all students. This is where they can research career ideas, routes into specific careers and much more.



All Subjects are Important

Understanding the importance of all subjects...

- We know that English and Maths graded at 5+ are essential to post 16 steps and beyond.
- However, success in only English and Maths alone will not be enough to access post 16 steps or future opportunities.
- Students must have a holistic approach to their studies.



How You Can Support

Never underestimate the impact working together can make...

- Please encourage attendance to revision sessions
- Build routine and consistency around independent study

**If students started 20 minutes of a revision a day from
October 5 until 3 May they would have completed 56 hours
(without including half term)**



Mathematics GCSE

3 papers

Paper 1: Non Calculator

1 hour 30 minutes

Friday 14th May

Paper 2 and 3: Calculator

1 hour 30 mins each

Paper 2: Thursday 27th May

Paper 3: Friday 14th June

Each paper is 80 marks

Foundation tier – grades 1 to 5

Higher tier – grades 3 – 9

**You will need a pen, pencil, ruler,
rubber, pair of compasses,
protractor and a calculator for the
exams –links on teams to be
provided by class teachers**

**All content could be covered in all
papers**



Maths in class and Parental Support

- Use of deliberate practice papers in lessons and GRIP the questions
- There are QR codes to video walkthroughs of these papers
- Classwork on Teams
- Weekly homework set – either on Dr Frost or written.
- Past papers for homework nearer the exams
- QLA sheets following mock exams
- Independent revision on Dr Frost
- Revision plan in lessons from around March
- Start revision early and do small manageable chunks
- Revision timetable
- Work/life balance



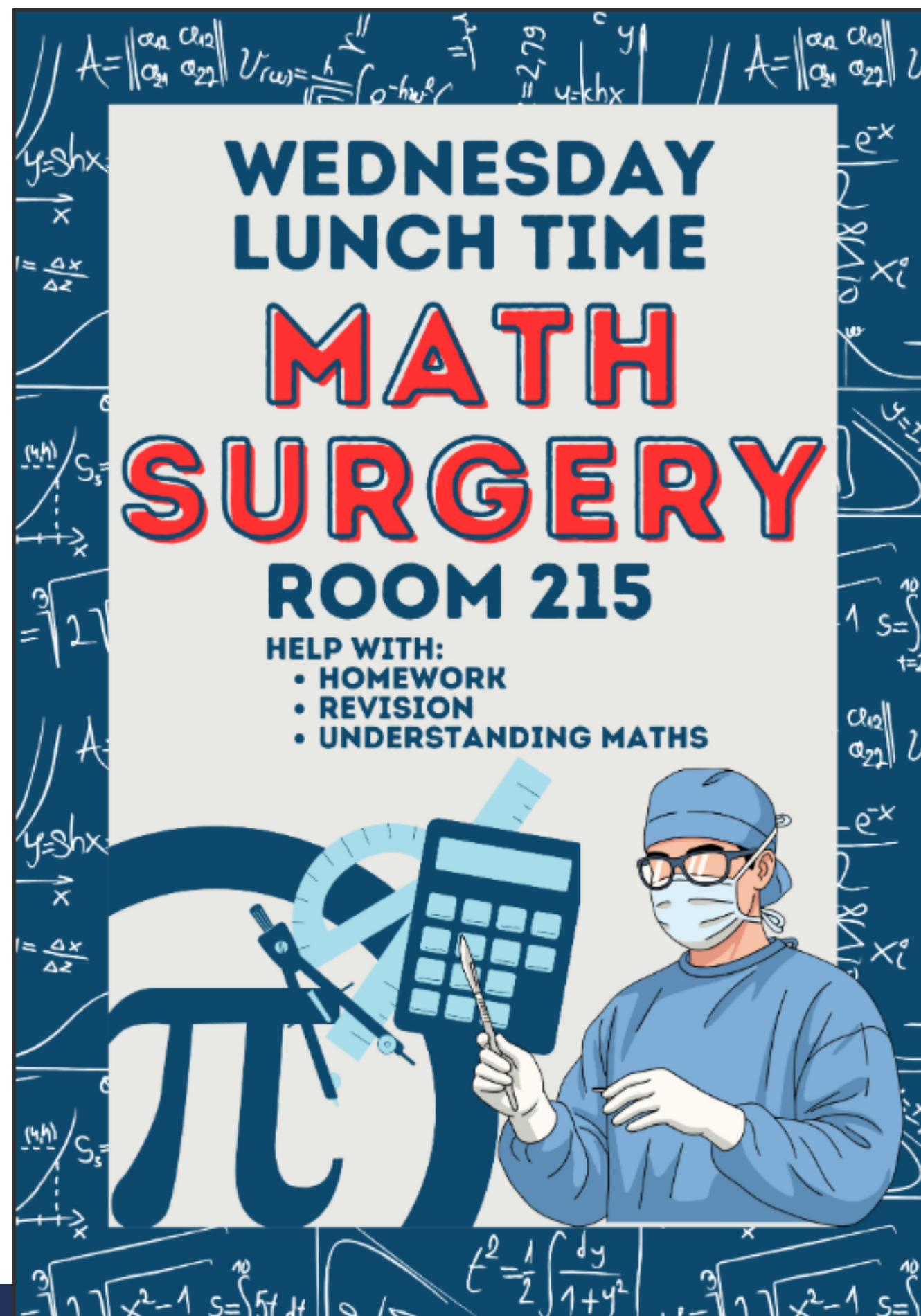
Recommended revision guides



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English Language and Literature – Getting Mock Ready

The November mock focuses on Paper 2 for both Language and Literature.

All revision from now until then should focus around these papers. Your child should be revising:

- An Inspector Calls
- Anthology poetry
- Unseen poetry
- Language paper 2 (non fiction and writing to argue, persuade, advise)

English revision takes place every Monday after school until 4pm along the English corridor – all are welcome.



English Language GCSE



Paper 1: Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing

Section A: Reading

One literature fiction text

Section B: Writing

Descriptive or narrative writing

1 hour 45 minutes

80 marks

50% of GCSE

Paper 2: Writers' Viewpoints and Perspectives

Section A: Reading

One non-fiction and one literary non-fiction text

Section B: Writing

Writing to present a viewpoint

1 hour 45 minutes

80 marks

50% of GCSE



English Literature GCSE



Paper 1:

Section A: 'Romeo and Juliet'

Section B: 'A Christmas Carol'

1 hour 45 minutes

64 marks

40% of GCSE

Paper 2:

Section A: 'An Inspector Calls'

Section B: Poetry Anthology

Section C: Unseen poetry

2 hours 15 minutes

96 marks

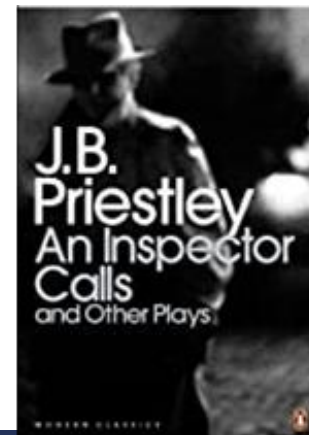
60% of GCSE



English Parental Support



- Encourage your child to start revision early and space out the different topics they study.
- Ask your child if you can help them: chatting to them or using flashcards to quiz them etc.
- Lots of examination-style questions are available from your child's class teacher. Encourage them ask for extra questions, write responses under timed conditions and hand them in to their teacher for marking.
- Encourage your child to read the '***How we revise for English Literature***' sheet that gives hints on the best way to revise English.
- Ensure your child has breaks, eats well and gets a work/life balance.



Science



Exam board: AQA Combined Science (Trilogy)
AQA Separate Sciences (Biology, Chemistry, Physics).

Revision online platforms to check knowledge:

- Classroom 42 (<https://www.classroom42.io/>) set homework
- Independent Revision Seneca

Revision advice:

Short, regular sessions; use flashcards, self-quizzing, and past-paper practice.

Useful online resources: Free Science Lessons (YouTube): <https://www.youtube.com/@freesciencelessons>

Physics & Maths Tutor: <https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/>

(Specific topic exam questions)

BBC Bitesize (AQA Science): <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/z8r997h>

Cognito Resources: <https://cognitoresources.org/>

AQA Past Papers: <https://www.aqa.org.uk/find-past-papers-and-mark-schemes>



Science GCSE



Paper 1

1 hour 15 minutes • 70 marks

16.7% of GCSE

BIOLOGY

1. Cell biology
2. Organisation
3. Infection and response
4. Bioenergetics

CHEMISTRY

8. Atomic structure & the periodic table
9. Bonding, structure & properties of matter
10. Quantitative chemistry
11. Chemical changes
12. Energy changes

PHYSICS

18. Energy • 19. Electricity
20. Particle model of matter • 21. Atomic structure

Paper 2

1 hour 15 minutes • 70 marks

16.7% of GCSE

BIOLOGY

5. Homeostasis & response
6. Inheritance, variation & evolution
7. Ecology

CHEMISTRY

13. Rate & extent of chemical change
14. Organic chemistry
15. Chemical analysis
16. Chemistry of the atmosphere
17. Using resources

PHYSICS

22. Forces • 23. Waves
 24. Magnetism & electromagnetism
- Paper 2 may also draw on earlier key concepts.

AQA GCSE Combined Science: Trilogy (8464)



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Science GCSE



Paper 1

1 hour 45 minutes • 100 marks

50% of each GCSE

BIOLOGY

1. Cell biology
2. Organisation
3. Infection & response
4. Bioenergetics

CHEMISTRY

1. Atomic structure & the periodic table
2. Bonding, structure & properties of matter
3. Quantitative chemistry
4. Chemical changes
5. Energy changes

PHYSICS

1. Energy
2. Electricity
3. Particle model of matter
4. Atomic structure

AQA GCSE Biology (8461), Chemistry (8462) & Physics (8463)

Paper 2

1 hour 45 minutes • 100 marks

50% of each GCSE

BIOLOGY

5. Homeostasis & response
6. Inheritance, variation & evolution
7. Ecology

CHEMISTRY

6. Rate & extent of chemical change
7. Organic chemistry
8. Chemical analysis
9. Chemistry of the atmosphere
10. Using resources

PHYSICS

5. Forces
6. Waves
7. Magnetism & electromagnetism
8. Space physics

Paper 2 may draw on earlier key concepts.



Scan the QR code to
access a revision guide
with further information
and support.

