

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you all. My name is Ms El-Sockary and I am taking over as Mrs Hughes is now on maternity leave. In the past I have worked with Year 11 and Year 12 so I have a great understanding of the journey your children are about to go on and what needs to be done to help prepare them for this. I look forward to working with you and your children moving forwards.

Over the last half term, the year 10s have been working incredibly hard sitting mocks and revising for the final exams. Below you will find some information I have collected from the heads of options subjects. I hope you will find this useful in supporting your child as they prepare for their exams.

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Resources</u>	<u>Any further information</u>
Art & Photography	No revision in Art is necessary, but students have been given art resources to support their learning in and out of class.	Weekly afterschool sessions are run on Mondays and Thursdays from 3-4.15pm. In Photography, the final piece deadline is 17th of May.
Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theme 1 (pink) and Theme 2 (green) A5 revision booklets given to all students at the beginning of the year. • Seneca Learning (online platform). 	Intervention is held with specific groups of students Wednesday after school in BF03.
Computer Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AQA GCSE(9-1) Computer Science My Revision Notes Hodder Education(provided to all students). • GCSE AQA Computer Science CGP • YouTube videos https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOHZEBLIJxlrwBAHJ5S9JQg • All classroom activities and challenges available on Google classroom 	Group intervention for selected students taking place on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday break time in BG06 and BG07. This will resume after the Easter break.
DT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seneca learning • Revision booklets/mind maps made in class • Mini handbook available for purchase (£2) • Printed pack of exam questions • List of topics will be posted on Google classroom 	Intervention sessions are held Thursday 3-4pm. Additional sessions are held Tuesdays 3-4pm but this session is optional.
Economics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resources can be found on Google classroom • Knowledge organisers • Online revision guide • Quizlet for key terms 	Intervention sessions are being held Thursday after school in BF04.

Key Dates:

Friday 1st April – Raising Achievement Day + Final day of school.

Tuesday 19th April – Start of the summer term.

Monday 16th May – RE GCSE Exam + start of GCSE exams.

Please see students exam timetables for remaining dates

Year 10 logistics:

Interims have been sent out with targets set based on mock exams.

Exam preparation top tips:

- Use the specification for your course (found on the examboard website)
- Make revision flashcards
- Practice past paper questions
- Make a revision timetable
- Set yourself realistic work goals (break down work when necessary over several days as necessary).
- Take breaks
- **Eat!**
- **Sleep!**

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Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create your own revision card using the specification for each topic (https://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/GCSE/Geography-A/2016/specification-and-sample-assessments/Geography_A_Issue3%20GCSE%20(9-1)%20Specification.pdf). • Practice past exam questions (https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/geography-a-2016.coursematerials.html#%2FfilterQuery=Pearson-UK:Category%2FExam-materials) • Use GCSE Pod- the videos and “check and challenge quizzes” are excellent for ensuring your base knowledge is strong. 	In Easter students will be invited to school for intervention sessions. There is also a trip planned for students to practice skills needed for the fieldwork element of the exam.
ICT (Cambridge Nationals)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-read your text book and then make notes based on the list of topics given by the examboard. The list is available on Google classroom. • Use this link for past papers. https://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/cambridge-nationals/information-technologies-level-1-2-j808/assessment/ • You will find Revision video links on GC. • Use the same booklet and format (flash cards) you used in January for the May exam. 	Easter holidays - Wednesday 6th April from 9am-3pm
Media	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Media blog: http://mediamacguffingcseyear2.blogspot.com/ • Blog with links to notes for all exam products: https://mediamacguffingcseyear2.blogspot.com/2022/02/mock-exams-revision-and-preparation.html • Paper copies of ZigZag practice papers and mark schemes provided to all students. 	Sessions are held Tuesday after school - editing/coursework support in DF06 3pm - 4.45pm
Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Folder work, • Music technology book, • Google classroom lesson resources, • Exam practice questions. 	Students attend one extra session per week to work on coursework. There is a coursework intervention session during the Easter holidays on Friday 8th April, from 9am - 3pm.
PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seneca • Google classroom slides • CPG revision guides and workbooks 	AO1 club- every Friday 8am.
Psychology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Google classroom slides • Online textbook with exam style questions • Keyword glossary for each topic 	
RE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revision booklet contains all content and exam practice questions 	RE Study club every Monday 3-4pm (open to all)

Thank you for your continued support - here's to another positive term with Year 10.
Best Wishes,

Ms El-Sockary