

Year 10

Course Information

2018-2020

HOMEWORK IN YEARS 10 AND 11

During Key Stage 4, you are gradually eased into your own homework schedule in order to meet deadlines and take the initiative in asking for extra work when needed.

It is expected that you will be spending ten to fifteen hours per week out of lesson time on your work, although this will naturally vary a little and could at certain times of the year be a few hours more, or less. Whilst it is sometimes possible for you to do some study during the school day, no girl can effectively do all her homework at school.

GCSE MOCK EXAMINATIONS

In the spring term of Year 11 you will have GCSE mock exams. These will take place in the hall with outside invigilators just as it will be for your GCSEs in the summer. For these you will have study leave for the duration of the exam period when you can revise at home when you don't have an exam if you have parental permission.

For these exams it is important to adhere to the rules for GCSEs:

- You must make sure that you are wearing the correct uniform including your school jacket and school shoes.
- > There must be no writing on your hands, arms or anywhere on your body.
- > You must make sure that you bring the necessary equipment, black pens, pencils, rulers, protractors, compasses and calculators. You must not use correction fluid or correction pens. If you make a mistake you must just cross through the work you don't wish to be marked.
- ➤ Pencil cases must be see-through (or a clear plastic bag). Water is permitted but must be in a clear plastic bottle with all labels removed.
- > You must not take mobile phones, iPods, iwatches, books (unless they are required in the exam), food, coats or bags into the exam. Watches must be placed on your exam desk.
- You must enter the exam room in complete silence. If you have a question or feel ill then you need to put up your hand and an invigilator will come and talk to you. You must not communicate to another candidate in any way.
- > Once the exam has started you can only leave the room with special permission until the exam has been completed. If there is an emergency an invigilator will accompany you out of the exam room.
- ➤ If you are ill and can't attend an exam, you must contact the school as soon as possible before the starting time of the exam.

COURSEWORK / CONTROLLED ASSESSMENT DEADLINES

In some subjects, individual teachers set interim deadlines for particular pieces of preparatory work. When this occurs you must abide by these deadlines as well as the final subject deadline. Extensions cannot be given to these deadlines unless for medical reasons supported by a doctor's note. If you fail to hand in work for any other reason, you may be given no marks for that piece.

COPYING FROM OTHERS

- **Do not** copy other pupils' work.
- **Do not** work together on assignments which must be done independently.
- If you work as part of a group on an assignment, the description of how that data was obtained and the conclusions you draw from it should be in your **own** words even if the data you have is the same.
- Copying will be picked up and you are reminded that unfair practice must be reported to the Board and you might find yourself in trouble with ALL your GCSEs. Any words/ideas of others that you copy and don't reference properly will be considered as cheating.
- You will be asked to sign a declaration that your assignment is all your own work.

CHECKING YOUR WORK

Make sure you check your assignment when you have finished.

- > Are all the pages in order?
- ➤ Have you given all the information you are required to?
- ➤ Is it clearly named?
- > Is there an appendix?
- > Is there a bibliography?
- ➤ Have all quotes from published sources been referenced correctly?
- > Have you checked any spelling you are unsure of?

HANDING IN YOUR WORK

- Make sure you hand in your work on time and in person to your teacher.
- Keep your work secure and don't share it with classmates.
- **Do not** give it to someone else to hand in or put it in a book locker.
- You have spent a long time on your work you do not want to waste all that time and effort!

AND FINALLY

The table on the next two pages gives you an outline of coursework/controlled assessments in each subject. Take note of the deadlines and plan your time accordingly. It is essential that you plan your work carefully and keep to deadlines. If you find that you are struggling to keep up, then you must ask for help from your subject teacher, tutor or Head of House.

YEAR 10 GCSE EXAMINATION REQUIREMENTS FOR GIRLS SITTING GCSE IN JUNE 2020

SUBJECT	EXAMINATION BOARD	% OF FINAL MARK	NUMBER OF PIECES OF WORK	COURSEWORK OUTLINE	DEADLINE(S)
Religious Studies	WJEC Religious Studies	NONE	N/A	N/A	N/A
MFL					
French/German	EDEXCEL	NONE	N/A	N/A	N/A
Spanish	EDEXCEL	NONE	N/A	N/A	N/A
Science	AQA	NONE	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mathematics	EDEXCEL	NONE	N/A	N/A	N/A
Information Technology	Microsoft Office Specialism MOS)	100%	5 + 2 extension units available	All units assessed by an online examination.	Last day of summer term 2019 (end of Year 10)
Computer Science	AQA	NONE	N/A	Controlled assessment task to be completed in Year 11 in lesson time.	To be completed in lessons by December 2019
English (1) English Language	AQA	None	N/A	N/A	N/A
(2) English Literature	AQA	None	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Music	EDEXCEL	60%	4	Solo Performance Ensemble Performance 2 compositions	To be completed during 2019-2020
Art and Design	OCR	60%	2 projects; the second starts in May 2019 and continues into Year 11.	Lessons and some homework developing into projects.	Coursework is covered in lessons and homework time, but deadlines for handing it in to be assessed are in January 2020.
History	AQA	NONE	N/A	N/A	N/A
Geography	EDEXCEL	NONE	N/A	N/A	N/A
D&T Graphics Product Design	AQA	50%	1 NEA non-examined assessment	NEA task to be completed in Year 11, in lesson time.	N/A
D&T Food Prep and Nutrition	AQA	50%	2 NEA's, non-examined assessments	One completed by Christmas in Year 11 and one completed by Easter in lesson time.	N/A
D&T Textiles	AQA	50%	1 NEA non-examined assessment	NEA task to be completed in Year 11, in lesson time	N/A
Drama	AQA	40%	Component 2 – devised performance internally assessed, externally moderated. Component 3 – Texts in practice. Externally examined.	Presentation of 2 practical pieces of work: devised drama and texts in practice. Process and understanding assessed through a devising Log and devised Performance (comp 2). Assess through the performance of an extract (comp 3).	Throughout Year 10 and Year 11.
Dhysical		36% 24%	1hr 45 written exam 1hr 15 written exam	Fitness and body Systems Health and performance	Fitness Programme will be started during lessons but continued out of school.
Physical Education	EDEXCEL	30% 10%	3 practical assessments Written Personal Exercise Programme	Controlled assessment in 3 practical areas Internal assessment 6 week fitness programme	All video evidence of sports undertaken outside school collated once completed.