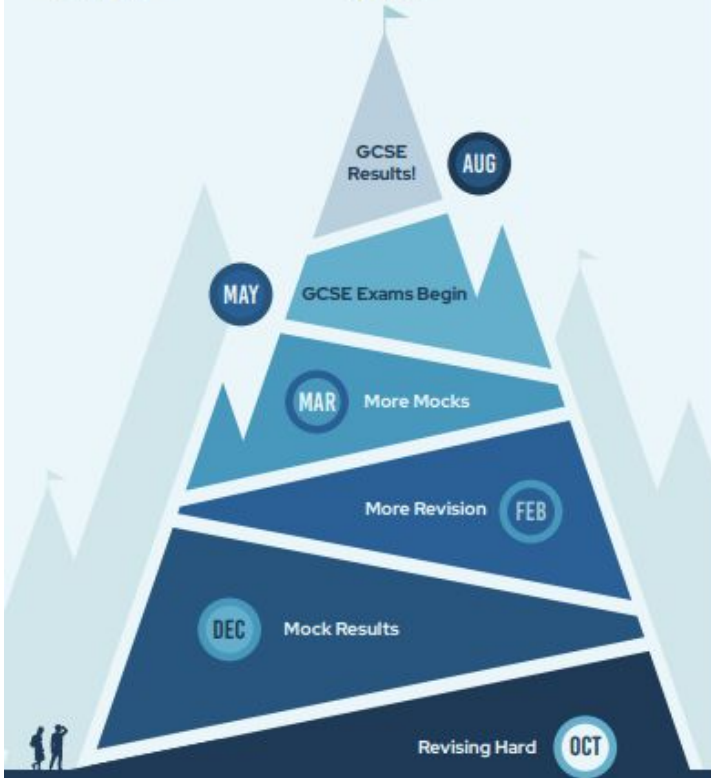


Welcome to our Year 11 Families

Be Ready, Work Hard, Be Nice



YEAR 11 - TARGETS

A JOURNEY OF A THOUSAND MILES BEGINS WITH A SINGLE STEP

Top ten tips for parents!


1. Encourage your child to make a revision timetable and **stick** to it!
2. Make sure your child has a quiet space to work with no distractions.
3. Help to find the method of learning and retaining information that works best for them. It could be reading and making notes, using flash cards or Post-it notes, looking at video clips, playing back recordings of their own voice, mind mapping or perhaps a mixture of these.
4. Check the exam board website, here you will find practice papers and mark schemes.
5. Be around as much as possible. You don't have to be at their side 24/7 but children like parents taking an interest in their revision (but not taking over).

6. Keep the kitchen cupboard stocked with delicious food. When the going gets tough children really appreciate a cup of tea, a plate of biscuits or their favourite meal.
7. Encourage them to break revision into manageable chunks and to take regular breaks in between revision sessions. It's far more effective to do 30 minutes of successful revision – rather than plough on for hours on end and not get anywhere.
8. Exercise, fresh air, healthy food and lots of sleep are crucial.
9. Most important of all, help your child to keep everything in perspective.
10. Any concerns about how your child is preparing for their exams then contact us!

My Weekly Study Timetable:

Timings	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breakfast 8.00am – 8.30am	Sikhism paper 1 (Quizlet packet)	Maths (Oakwood academy)	History (Norman conquest)	Christianity paper 2 (Quizlet packet)	Btec sport (flashcards)
Lunchtime 1.15pm – 1.50pm	Maths (Oakwood academy)	Christianity paper 1 (Quizlet packet)	maths (Oakwood academy)	Maths (Oakwood academy)	Sikhism paper 2 (Quizlet packet)
After School interventions 2.50pm – 3.50pm	English	Maths	RE	Science	
Evening Study 5.00pm – 5.45pm	Chemistry paper 1 (flashcards)	History (Norman conquest)	Biology paper 1 (flashcards)	Spanish (Quizlet packet)	Sikhism essay
Evening Study 6.00pm – 6.45pm	Chemistry paper 1 (essay)	Football	Biology paper 1 (essay)	Football	Poetry (unseen poetry)
Evening study 7.00pm – 7.45pm	Poetry (essay question)	football	Romeo and Juliet (flashcards)	football	Maths (Hegarty)
Evening Study 8.00-8.45pm	Sikhism	Physics paper 1 (Flashcards)	Romeo and Juliet (essay)	Spanish (essay)	History (medicine in Britain flashcards)
Evening Study (extra) 8.55-9.25pm	Maths (hegarty)	Physics paper 1 (essay)	Maths (hegarty)	Btec sport (unit 1 revision guide)	History (medicine in Britain questions)

My Weekly Study Timetable:

Timings	Saturday	Sunday
Morning	Football Training & Matches 	
Lunchtime		
Afternoon 5:00pm-6:00pm		
Evening Study 6.00pm – 7.00pm	Spanish (exam paper)	History (exam paper)
Evening Study 7.15pm – 8.00pm	Chemistry (equations)	Chemistry (equations)
Evening Study 8:15-9:15pm	Maths (Sparks)	English (creative writing)
Evening Study (extra) 9:00-10:00pm		

English

How to revise for English:

- **Google Classrooms** - Join the revision google classrooms set up by the English department to find revision materials for each literature text; **Jekyll and Hyde, Macbeth, An Inspector Calls** and **Power and Conflict** poetry.
- **Past papers** - Complete past papers to practice timings during the exam. We are with the exam board AQA for language and literature. Papers can be found on their website or on the google classrooms.
- **Flashcards** - You need to remember a lot of information so flashcards can be a useful revision tool! For literature revise key quotations for each text. For language revise key language and structural features.

Year 11 Key Dates 2024-2025

Key Dates	Event
Tuesday 8th October	Mock preparation information
Wednesday 9th October	Year 11 Parent Evening
Thursday 17th October	Year 11 Parent Evening
Monday 21st October	Study Plus sessions (invite only - BTec Sport, Art, Spanish and Textiles)
Thursday 6th November	EAG Open evening
11th-22nd November	Year 11 Mock exam weeks
Wednesday 18th December	Year 11 Mock results afternoon
2025	
3rd-7th February	Year 11 Mock 2 exam week
Thursday 13th February	Subject Enhancement Day
7th-17th April (Holiday)	Various study plus sessions - to be confirmed
Monday 8th May	GCSE Examinations begin
Thursday 21st August	GCSE Results day - Times to be confirmed

English

- Revision guides can be a useful revision tool for revising the plot, characters and themes for all texts.



Science

Key tips for revising science:

1. **Past papers**- All past papers can be found on the AQA website plus markscheme. The more you do and assess with the markscheme you will become familiar with the key terminology to use and how to structure your answers.
2. **Youtube** - Required practicals - Know your variables, safety precautions and methods (you have and will do all the required practicals) Youtube channels such as primrose will help you to remember these
3. **Tassomai** - Helps with recall. The more you do it the more it will stick!
4. **Flashcards**- You need to remember equations for all three sciences. Write these out on flashcards and get someone to test you until you know them!!

Science

5. Revision guides - All revision guides and workbooks can be purchased via parent pay.



Combined revision guide - £6
Combined workbook - £6



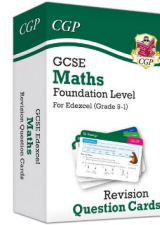
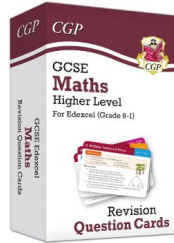
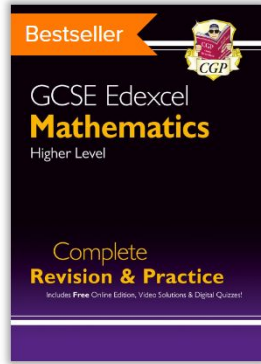
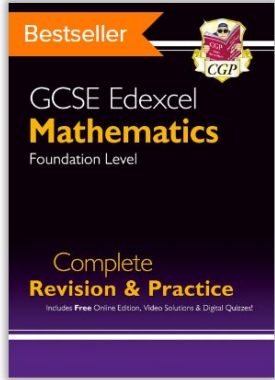
Triple science revision guide - £3.15 each
Triple science workbook - £3.15 each

Maths

The best way to revise maths is to do maths!

1. Use the **QLAs** from the Y10 mocks to decide which topics to focus on. Look at the topics where you got **some** but not all marks.
2. Use exam questions to practice. We are an **EDEXCEL** school.
3. Complete **SPARX** every week.
4. Use corbettmaths videos and exam practice questions.
5. **Flashcards** - These can be self made or purchased with key terminology.
6. **Tassomai** - Complete your daily goal. The more you **practice** the more you will know!

7. Purchase a good quality revision guide at the appropriate level.
We recommend the following



8. Have a good quality **CASIO** scientific calculator (also useful for your Science exams) and a maths set.

Calculators, maths sets, revision guides and flashcards will be available, at a discounted price, on Parent pay early next week.

SEND and Exam Access Arrangements

What are exam access arrangements?

Students who struggle to access the learning environment without additional help and support might also need help and support in exams. Access arrangements are special concessions which can be applied for by the academy, to enable a level playing field for students who would otherwise be placed at a substantial disadvantage.

There are a range of different types of arrangements available and they require different types of evidence. Evidence is required before an application is made and can require a specialist assessment.

Access arrangements in exams **cannot be placed at the last minute** and cannot provide an unfair advantage, but must be considered when there is a **substantial level of need, as demonstrated through the student's normal way of working**. A diagnosis of an additional need does not guarantee access arrangements.

SEND and Exam Access Arrangements

Is all anxiety the same?

- JCQ (Joint Council for Qualifications) AARA P9 states:

“Nervousness or low level anxiety about examinations are not expected to have a substantial adverse effect.”

In fact, **most people feel some nerves before an exam.**

This can in fact be **helpful** as it shows:

- We are alert and prepared for something important to happen
- It can help our focus for the period of the exam
- It can push us to work harder, or to feel a sense of urgency to revise.

SEND and Exam Access Arrangements

How Much Is Too Much

We may need additional support if:

Anxiety is all the time, overwhelming and insurmountable.

We are missing lessons or school as a result of the anxiety.

We are not able to cope with school or life as we did previously.

Our anxiety is affecting our ability to study or feel positive about our learning.

We feel we are not able to 'control' the anxiety.

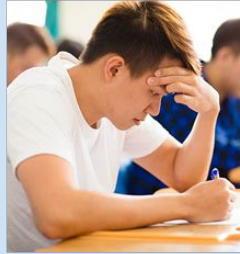
What are examples of anxious thought?

I am going to fail

What if I have
a panic attack?

I can't do it

I will let my parents down



Everyone will laugh at me


They are so much better
than me, I am
stupid!

I can't remember anything

I will go blank and forget everything

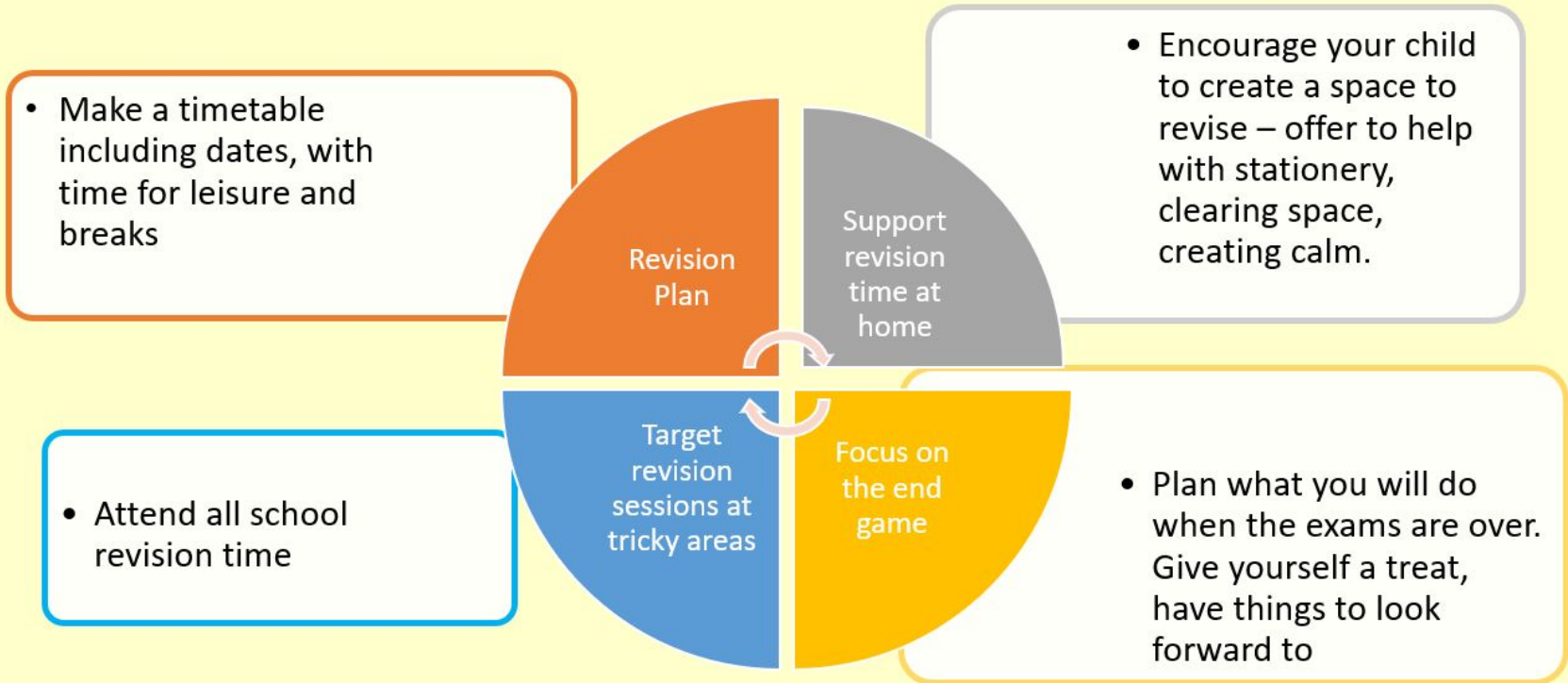
What can I do? Use action based language

- ✓ I believe in you, and will continue to, whatever happens with these exams
- ✓ We can work on this together next week
- ✓ If you let me know what I can do, I am free all day Saturday and can test you
- ✓ Let's do some past papers on this to practise, then it will be a lot clearer
- ✓ Everyone has found this tricky, so I will be providing you with some summaries to help next week.



I know you can do this, and I am here to help you!

What can I do? Encourage Preparation



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- Important Decision
- Trusting us at Ebbsfleet Academy



Academic Excellence

- Experienced Teachers
- Small class sizes
- Setting up for success



Next Steps

- Guidance
- Opportunities

Student Leadership



Our Courses

A Level Art and 3D Design

A Level Biology

A Level Business

A Level Chemistry

A Level English Literature

A Level Geography

A Level History

A Level Law

A Level Mathematics

A Level Psychology

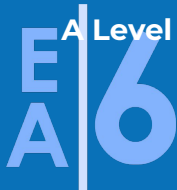
A Level Sociology

BTEC Computing

BTEC Sport

Core Maths or Extended Project

Student Choice...



Key Dates

9th November 2023 - EA6 Open Evening

November 2023 - Applicaa Applications

January 2024 - EA6 Interviews

August 2024 - Results & Enrollment



Digital (CSM)



- Ensure you have accepted the email invitations to join your child's Google Classroom - This will help you help them to manage their communications and workloads.
- Sharing a revision timetable with your child and helping them try and stick to this as much as possible, or find alternative times where you know a family event/obligation is happening.
- Keep an eye on your child's screen time - this includes TV, Phone and Chromebook, too much can be overwhelming and unhealthy.
- If your child is revising, encourage them to take 10 minute breaks every hour by setting a timer on your phone - sometimes just stopping to visit the toilet or get a drink is enough to refresh their brain.