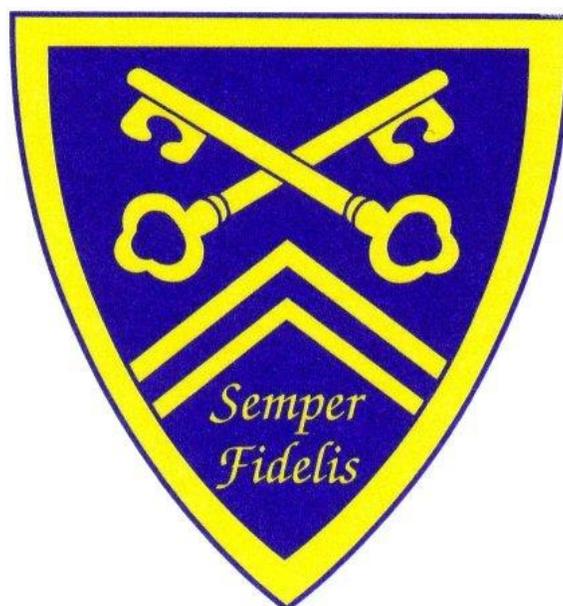


A PUPIL AND PARENT GUIDE TO YEAR 11

2017 - 2018



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Key Dates Across Year 11:

20 th September 2017	Dance Matinee: Miss Saigon and Year 11 Information Evening
3 rd October 2017	Year 11 Assembly
5 th October 2017	Halas House Disco (6.30pm - 8.30pm)
6 th October 2017	Mufti Day 1
9 th - 13 th October 2017	Work Experience
13 th October 2017	Teacher Training Day
14 th October 2017	Open Day
16 th October 2017	Year 11 Food Science Controlled Assessment Week
19 th October 2017	Sixth Form Open Evening
23 rd - 27 th October 2017	Half Term Holiday
31 st October or 1 st November 2017	All Saints Mass
2 nd November 2017	Annual Dance Show
7 th November 2017	Year 11 Mass
13 th - 22 nd November 2017	Year 11 Mock Examinations
23 rd November 2017	Music Winter Concert (7pm)
1 st December 2017	Mufti Day 2
4 th December 2017	Mock Examinations Results Issued
4 th December 2017	Ski Trip Information Evening
5 th December 2017	Year 11 Assembly
7 th December 2017	Year 11 Parents Evening
14 th December 2017	Carol Service (7pm)
19 th December 2017	End of Term
3 rd January 2018	Spring Term Starts
5 th - 12 th January 2018	Ski Trip
16 th January 2018	Wulstan House Mass
23 rd January 2018	St Nicholas Owen Mass and Year 11 Assembly
30 th January 2018	Year 11 Mass
1 st February 2018	Intermediate Maths Challenge
2 nd February 2018	Mufti Day 3
5 th February 2018	English Literature Mock Examination 2
6 th February 2018	Year 11 Photographs
12 th February 2018	Food Practical
14 th February 2018	Ash Wednesday
15 th February 2018	Pyramid Concert (7pm, Birmingham Town Hall)
16 th February 2018	Poland Trip
19 th - 23 rd February 2018	Half Term Holiday
27 th February 2018	Year 11 Assembly
1 st March 2018	World Book Day
6 th March 2018	Chad House Mass
13 th March 2018	Year 11 Mass
15 th March 2018	Spring School Games
19 th March 2018	English Language Mock Examination
23 rd March 2018	Mufti Day 4
28 th March 2018	Presentation Evening (TBC)
29 th March 2018	Maundy Thursday and End of Term
30 th March - 4 th April 2018	Ski Trip

Key Dates Across Year 11:

30th March - 13th April 2018

16th April 2018

24th April 2018

26th April 2018

1st May 2018

2nd May 2018

7th May 2018

10th May 2018

11th May 2018

14th May -19th June 2018

28th May - 1st June 2018

26th June 2018

27th June 2018

28th June 2018

Easter Holiday

Summer Term Starts

Anselm House Mass and Art Examination Part 1

Art Examination Part 2

Year 11 Assembly

Youth Makes Music, Kidderminster Town Hall

Bank Holiday

Halas house Disco (6.30pm - 8.30pm)

Mufti Day 5 and Walk a Mile Sponsored Walk

GCSE Examination Period

Half Term Holiday

Year 11 Graduation Day and Mass

Year 12 Induction Day

Year 11 Prom

CORE SUBJECTS – FOLLOWED BY ALL PUPILS

Religious Education – Subject Leader: Mrs C Cotterill

Specification: AQA Religious Education Spec B 8063 (GCSE 91)

All pupils follow the AQA GCSE Religious Studies Full Course Specification. The course is comprised of three units; Catholic Christianity (50%), Judaism 25% and Ethics 25%. All exam papers are sat at the end of Year 11.

Catholic Christianity:

- Creation
- Incarnation
- Triune God
- Redemption
- Church and the Kingdom of God
- Eschatology

Judaism:

- Beliefs and teachings
- Practises

Ethics:

Pupils explore the Catholic perspectives on the following issues:

- Religion, relationships and families
- Religion, Peace and conflict
- Religion, Human Rights and social justice
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Assessment is entirely by examination, there is no form of controlled assessment.

English – Subject Leader: Miss E Butler

Specification: AQA English Language 8700 (GCSE 91)

Paper 1: Exploration in Creative Reading and Writing

Section A: Reading – one literature fiction text.

Section B: Writing – descriptive or narrative writing.

Students will sit a written exam, 1 hour 45 minutes, which will be 80 marks and 50% of the GCSE.

Examination date: **5th June 2018**

Paper 2: Writers' Viewpoints and Perspectives

Section A: Reading – one non-fiction text and one literary non-fiction text.

Section B: Writing – writing to present a viewpoint.

Students will sit a written exam, 1 hour 45 minutes, which will be worth 80 marks and 50% of the GCSE.

Examination date: **8th June 2018**

Non-examination Assessment: Spoken Language

Presenting, responding to questions, feedback, and use of standard English.

This is assessed by the teacher throughout the course, marked by the teacher and has a separate endorsement. 0% weighting of the GCSE.

Specification: AQA English Literature 8702 (GCSE 91)

Paper 1: Shakespeare and the 19th Century Novel

Students will sit a written exam, 1 hour and 45 minutes, which will be 64 marks and 40% of the GCSE.
Examination date: **22nd May 2018**

Paper 2: Modern Texts and Poetry

Students will sit a written exam, 2 hours and 15 minutes, which will be worth 96 marks and 60% of the GCSE.
Examination date: **25th May 2018**

Mathematics – Subject leader: Miss A Holland

Specification: OCR Linear Mathematics Course J560 (GCSE 91)

There is no coursework for this course.

This course is assessed completely by three terminal exams in **May/June 2018**.

- The first exam paper is a calculator paper. Exam date: May 24th
- The second paper is non-calculator, with no calculator permitted. Exam date: June 7th
- The third exam paper is a calculator paper. Exam date: June 12th

Additional support available to pupils:

Wednesday evening after school 3.35pm – 4:40pm.

The Mathematics workshop support will start the week commencing the 11th September 2017 in Room DF1. Any student may attend for help with classwork, homework, revision and examination practice.

Online support using www.mymaths.co.uk

login: hagley password: triangle

This web based mathematical support has many GCSE booster topics explained and assessed.

Science – Subject Leader: Mr M Patchett

Specification: AQA Combined Science: Synergy 8465 (GCSE 91)

All students who took the core science exam last year have carried on to additional science this year. Overall, with the core result from last year, this gives students two separate GCSEs in Science.

Revision guides for additional science are available to buy from the science prep room at school for £4.00. It is strongly advised that all pupils buy one in order to fully prepare for their exams. In addition to many other activities there are past papers for practice can be found on the 'Haggle' website.

OPTIONAL SUBJECTS

Art & Design – Subject Leader: Mrs N Stott

Specification: AQA Art and Design (Fine Art) 8202 and AQA (Art, Craft and Design) 8201

Controlled Assessment Requirements:

Fine Art – 3 separate projects are to be submitted – ‘Food in Art’ and ‘mock exam project with a choice of questions’ plus the work completed during the workshops at the start of Year 10.

Art and Design – At least 2 separate projects are to be submitted – ‘Natural /Man Made Environment’, ‘Food in Art’ and the ‘Mock exam project with a choice of questions’.

The deadline for submission for all projects is **December 2017**.

The students have been working on these projects since September 2016 and should hand in a portfolio of work which should have evidence of all 4 assessment objectives.

Additional support available to pupils:

The department is keen to provide after school and lunchtime support sessions. Students should make arrangements with individual teachers to organise these sessions.

Other useful information:

All students will receive their final exam paper in January 2018. They will then be given three months to produce A2 preparation sheets based on their chosen question and a 10-hour exam (over 2 days) in which they produce a final piece as a result of all their preparation work. Preparation work can be done at school and at home. The lunchtime and after school pupil support sessions will run during the examination period to support all students.

Biology – Subject Leader: Miss H Whild

Specification: AQA Biology 8461 (GCSE 91)

The GCSE Biology course is studied over the latter part of Year 9, and Year 10 and 11. Pupils will sit two exam papers at the end of year 11, each lasting 1 hour and 45 minutes.

Paper 1

What is assessed?

Topics 1 – 4: Cell biology, organisation, infection and response, bioenergetics.

How it is assessed?

Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes, foundation and higher tier.

100 marks, 50% of GCSE.

Style of questions:

Multiple choice, structured, closed short answer and open response.

Paper 2

What is assessed?

Topics 5 – 7: Homeostasis and response; inheritance, variation and evolution; and ecology.

How it is assessed?

Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes, foundation and higher tier.

100 marks, 50% of GCSE.

Style of questions:

Multiple choice, structured, closed short answer and open response.

There is no longer any course work attached to this qualification. However, students are expected to take part in twelve required practicals throughout the course. Students may be questioned in the exam on these experiments.

Revision Guides for Biology are available to buy from the Prep room at a cost of £4. It is advised that all pupils have one in order to be fully prepared for the examinations. Past papers are available on the AQA website and on the Haggie website. As the exam season approaches there will be revision sessions organised to support revision.

Business Studies – Subject Leader: Mr K Lomax

Specification: Pearson EDEXCEL Business Studies and Economics 2BE01 (GCSE)

Pupils are currently preparing for the controlled assessment element of the exam. This investigation accounts for 25% of the total marks available for the GCSE. It is crucial that candidates commit a massive amount of time and effort to the preparation for this assessment. Much effort at home should be committed until the assessment itself. Support material is still available on the school's website:

GCSE Business Studies Controlled Assessments:

The assessment will be undertaken in school, under strict exam board regulated conditions. Parents will have received a letter explaining the range and scope of the investigation during the summer break. (Spares from Mr. Lomax on request)

On completion of the controlled assessment, pupils will resume their study of economic understanding which will be assessed in the final exam session in **May and June next year**.

In the New Year there will be additional classes after school on Tuesday and/or Wednesday evening which I would expect to be attended as a matter of course. It has been our practice in the last three years to commit **at least** one day from the **Easter holiday** for exam preparation.

Support materials etc. can be found online at www.edexcel.com – Qualifications, GCSE 2012 linear (current) GCSE, 2BE01 In addition good support sites are: bized.ac.uk, tutor2U, The BBC and any “serious” newspaper.

Chemistry – Subject Leader: Mr S Creevy

Specification: AQA Chemistry 8462 (GCSE 91)

The GCSE Chemistry course is studied over latter part of Year 9 and Year 10/11. Pupils will be examined by 2 x 1 hour 45 minutes long answer final written papers in May/June at the end of Year 11.

Paper 1

What is assessed?

Topics 1 – 5: Atomic structure and the periodic table, bonding, structure, and the properties of matter; quantitative chemistry, chemical changes and energy changes.

How it is assessed?

Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes, foundation and higher tier.

100 marks, 50% of GCSE.

Style of questions:

Multiple choice, structured, closed short answer and open response.

Paper 2

What is assessed?

Topics 6 – 10: The rate and extent of chemical change; organic chemistry; chemical analysis, chemistry of the atmosphere and using resources.

How it is assessed?

Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes, foundation and higher tier.

100 marks, 50% of GCSE.

Style of questions:

Multiple choice, structured, closed short answer and open response.

There is no longer any course work attached to this qualification. However, students are expected to take part in twelve required practicals throughout the course. Students may be questioned in the exam on these experiments.

Revision Guides for Chemistry are available to buy from the Prep room at a cost of £4. It is recommended that all pupils have one in order to be fully prepared for the examinations. Past papers are available on the AQA website and on the Huggle website. As the exam season approaches there will be revision sessions organised to support revision.

CiDA – Subject Leader: Mr A Harmon

Examination Board: Pearson Edexcel CiDA

All students are required to submit an e-portfolio (coursework), worth 75% of the qualification, for Unit 2 Multimedia. This will involve the creation of a full project for a given purpose including the design, development and implementation of a multimedia based computer application. Students should spend time ensuring they are aware of what specific audience requirements are for their product, as their assessment will take this into consideration. The final deadline date for submission of the Unit 2 Multimedia e-portfolio will be **Friday 16th March 2018** but students will receive regular feedback throughout to ensure that their coursework is at the required level before final submission.

Additional support available to pupils:

Those students aiming for A* and A grades should attend the weekly after school CiDA session(s). Students who need to catch up **must** also attend to ensure they do not fall behind with the work.

These sessions will take place on a weekly basis and further details can be gathered from Mrs Jones (please be aware that there will be some variation in the days/sessions).

Students can also access ICT facilities during lunchtimes on a daily basis in one of the ICT Rooms in the first half of the lunch hour.

Resits:

Please contact Mr Harmon, Mrs Jones or Mr Smith directly if a resit is needed or wanted for the Unit 1 exam (worth 25% of the course)

Other useful information:

Full information on the requirements of the Unit 2 project is available from

<http://www.edexcel.com/quals/cida/Pages/default.aspx> . Example projects and other useful supporting files can be found here.

Computing – Subject Leader: Mr A Harmon

Specification: OCR Computing J276

Supporting resources for this course can be found initially at <http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/gcse-computer-science-j276-from-2016/> but there are more resources available on the 'Haggle' virtual learning environment which cover the majority of the theory and coursework that is studied by students. It is very important that students become familiar with the Haggle learning environment at home as well as at school as it will have a crucial role in the work students do in this course.

Examination:

Unit 1 (Theory – examined in summer 2018 worth 80% of the overall GCSE)

This module will be delivered primarily by both Mr Smith and Mr Harmon. Students have had a considerable amount of this module delivered to them already in the previous academic year. Regular revision is a requirement to ensure that previous theory delivered is well grounded in preparation for their final exam at the end of the academic year. New theory will be delivered to students this year that will build on the knowledge gained last year. There are numerous resources available already on the 'Haggle' learning environment that students should utilise to ensure they are prepared for their exam.

With the exams in the subject now being worth 80%, the theory is more important than ever.

Coursework (NEA, Non Examined Assessment - submitted during this academic year and worth 20% of the overall GCSE).

This is the 'Python' project where students are required to develop an interactive quiz for a set purpose. This must be accompanied by a VERY detailed write up that shows the thorough planning, development and testing of the program. The deadline for this is **Friday 16th March 2018**. This is earlier than previous years as the exam boards have changed some of the dates around. We have already started this, and your support with allowing your child to come to lunch/after school sessions would be greatly appreciated.

Further details of the preparation needed for the controlled assessment can be found under 'GCSE from 2016' page on Haggle in the Year 10 Computer Science section. Students will need to ensure they are familiar with the concepts of Python that can be found there to be successful with the project. Python activities/learning should be completed at home to supplement what students learn in lesson and websites like <http://interactivepython.org/> and www.codecademy.com allow students to learn the Python programming language in an interesting and dynamic way. They also allow students to track their progress and earn rewards.

Design & Technology: Subject Leader: Mr M Button

Controlled Assessment Requirements:

All Design & Technology subjects have a substantial Controlled Assessment portfolio which is worth 60% of the total available marks. The deadline for submission for all four subjects is **16th February 2018**, which is just before the spring half term break.

Electronics: Subject Contact Mr D Brown

Specification: AQA Electronics 4540

Graphic Products: Subject Contact Mr M Button

Specification: AQA Graphic Products 4550

Pupil support sessions run every Tuesday and Wednesday from 3:35pm to 5:00pm.

Other useful information:

Design & Technology staff will advise pupils on which commercial revision guides to use. Text books are readily available on Amazon. Staff will also provide a Controlled Assessment guidance booklet, or an electronic equivalent, as a guide to all aspects of the course.

Dance – Subject Leader: Miss A Williams

Specification: AQA Dance 8236 (GCSE 91)

Component 1 – Performance & Choreography – Internally assessed, externally moderated

The performance and choreography element of this course contributes 60% of the total marks available. It is split into three sections as follows:

Performance of two set phrases as a solo (12 marks)	Duet/trio performance (24 marks)	Solo (2 – 2.5 mins) or Group (3 – 3.5 mins) Choreography as a response to a set task (40 marks)
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NB. An additional 4 marks are awarded for use of mental skills and attributes across the performance assessments.

All skills and techniques required for the course are developed in year 10. Choreography pieces will be the focus of this term following the release of the set tasks on **Friday 15th September 2017**. In preparation for the final assessment, all practical work will be presented in a 'Preview Evening', which will take place on **Wednesday 14th March 2018**. The internal assessment will take place on **Wednesday 21st March 2018**.

Component 2 – Dance Appreciation – Written Exam

This element of the course contributes 40% of the total marks available. The formal written paper (1 hour 30 minutes – 80 marks) will take place on **Tuesday 19th June 2018**. It is based on;

- Knowledge and understanding of choreographic processes and performing skills.
- Critical appreciation of own work.
- Critical appreciation of professional works

Ongoing revision of all theory work covered in Year 10 is essential, particularly during the Autumn term as the focus is on preparing practical assessments and choreography. **Dance folders and journals** should be kept neat, detailed and up to date in preparation for successful revision. There is a wealth of resources for students to refer to on Huggle, including fact files and full videos of each work they have analysed.

Additional support available to pupils:

The Dance Department offers extra support for pupils before and after school as well as at break and lunchtime. The students have designated rehearsal time and prep time in the Theatre, and are expected to rehearse at least once a week outside of lesson time. Additional rehearsal time is also available during October half term (Tuesday 24th October 2017, 10 – 4pm) and February half term (date TBC).

Drama – Subject Leader: Mr G Pounder

Specification: AQA Drama 8261 (GCSE 91)

The Practical Element

The practical element of this course constitutes **60% of the total marks available**. There are two main practical elements of this subject:

1. **Component 2** – this practical work is based on the preparation and performance of a group-devised piece. The work has to be prepared and presented in groups of at least two students. A written Devising Log has to be completed as part of the assessment. This practical work will be assessed during the **autumn term of 2017** and constitutes **40% of the total Drama GCSE marks**.
2. **Component 3** – this practical work is based on the preparation and performance of **two** extracts of a published play. This component will be assessed towards the second part of the **spring term of 2018**. The work will be presented to parents and friends on a GCSE Drama showcase evening in the Theatre. A visiting AQA examiner will mark all the pieces. This practical work constitutes **20% of the total Drama GCSE marks**.

Written Examination – 1 hour and 45 minutes

Component 1 is the formal written examination, which requires answers to questions that are based on the set text *Blood Brothers* on the and a review of live theatre seen during the course. This exam constitutes **40% of the total Drama GCSE marks**.

The written exam is on **Friday 18th May 2017**.

The Challenges of GCSE Drama

Drama is unusual in comparison with most other option subjects, in so far as many practical components have to be completed in groups of at least two students. It should also be noted that, whilst students receive individual marks for their practical performances, they are nevertheless dependent on the commitment, self-discipline and reliability of each member of their group in order to be successful in this subject.

Additional support available to pupils:

It is imperative that pupils are prepared to stay for after school rehearsals during the preparatory stages of each GCSE Drama practical assessment, in order to work with their peers and receive further guidance from their teachers.

Food Preparation and Nutrition – Subject Leader: Mrs L Morrall

Examination Board: WJEC Eduqas C560P1

Written Examination:

The written examination is 1 hour 45 minutes long, and is worth 50% of your final GCSE grade.

Non-examined Assessments:

This is component 2 of your course. It consists of two non-examined assessments and is worth 50% of your final GCSE grade in total.

Assessment 1: This is an 8-hour food science investigation where you will be required to carry out a series of food science experiments and produce a report of your findings. This is worth 15% of your final GCSE grade.

Assessment 2: You will be required to plan and prepare a two course meal with accompaniments (side dishes) in 3 hours, to a specific brief. This will also be supported with written work. This element of the course will take 12 hours in total and is worth 35% of your GCSE mark.

Geography – Subject Leader: Mr N Taylor

Specification: OCR GCSE Geography B J384 (GCSE 91)

Controlled Assessment Requirements:

None all externally assessed. There will be two days of fieldwork followed by completion of a fieldwork booklet, but all this work will be assessed through examination

Examinations:

Our Natural World (01) 70 Marks 1 hour 15 minutes written paper 35%
Global Hazards • Changing Climate • Distinctive Landscapes • Sustaining Ecosystems • Fieldwork
• Geographical Skills

People and Society (02) 70 Marks 1 hour 15 minutes written paper 35%
Urban Futures • Dynamic Development • UK in the 21st Century • Resource Reliance • Fieldwork
• Geographical Skills

Geographical Exploration (03)* 60 Marks 1 hour 30 minutes written paper 30%
Geographical Skills • Decision Making Exercise

Additional support available to pupils:

Additional Support for students: Lunchtime and after school help always available (after school through prior arrangement). Revision sessions after school from Easter for the final exam. Parents are encouraged to contact class teachers to discuss progress and are welcome to come into school to discuss progress at any point in the year to see how they can help students at home with specific tasks.

Other useful information:

Course textbook: GCSE Geography OCR B by Oxford University Press (ISBN: 978-0-19-836665-2)
<http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/gcse-geography-b-geography-for-enquiring-minds-j384-from-2016/> for past and practice papers plus specification.

History – Subject Leader: Mr A Trickett

Specification: Pearson Edexcel – History 1HIO (GCSE 91)

Examinations:

1. Paper 1 (30%) – Medicine Through Time c1250 – present including the British sector of the Western Front 1914-1918 - **June 2018**
2. Paper 2 (40%) – British America 1713 – 83, Early Elizabethan England 1558 – 1588 - **June 2018**
3. Paper 3 (30%) – Germany 1918 – 1939 – **June 2018**

The department will provide additional support lessons to review content and develop examination techniques. A revision booklet, written by the school's history teachers will be made available before the mock examinations (pupils will be expected to pay for the printing of the booklet). Students will have a mock examination on paper 3 in November and in the other units during the spring term.

Home Economics (Child Development) – Subject Leader: Mrs L Morrall

Specification: OCR J441 (GCSE)

Written Examination:

The 1 hour 30 minute written examination is sat at the end of Year 11 in **June 2018**. It is worth 40% of your final GCSE grade.

Controlled Assessments:

This accounts for 60% of your final grade, and is a mixture of short tasks and one main study:

Short tasks: You will complete three short tasks in Year 10, each taking 7 hours and are worth 10% of your final grade (30% in total). These will require a mixture of planning, practical work, investigation and evaluation skills.

Main study:

You will complete this in Year 11. You will be required to study a child under the age of 5, plan and carry out a series of observations, and produce a detailed written study on their development. It is essential that you have access to a child under the age of 5 for this assessment. This is worth 30% of your final GCSE grade, and will take around 22 hours to complete.

Modern Languages – Subject Leader: Mrs H Evans

Specifications: AQA French 8658 (GCSE 91)

Students study the following themes on which assessments are based;

1. Identity and culture
2. Local, national, international and global areas of interest
3. Current and future study and employment.

Over the course, eight individual modules will be taught and in-class assessments will be carried out routinely to ensure good progress. The course will be taught across four lessons per fortnight and approximately 45 minutes of homework will be set per lesson. Additional support is available during lunch breaks and after school.

Assessment will take place at the end of the two-year course across four papers across the four skill areas of Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing. Each section equates to 25% of the overall grade. There is a foundation tier (grades 1-5) and a higher tier (grades 4-9) and all students will take the same tier for each paper.

Music – Subject Teachers: Mrs C Foster and Miss S McMinn

Specification: WJEC Eduqas C660QS (GCSE 91)

Controlled Assessment Requirements:

The controlled assessment comprises of two compositions, one solo and one ensemble performance. The first composition deadline is **Friday 20th October**, and the solo performance deadline is **Friday 17th November**. In addition to this, pupils must be listening to the two set works and revising keywords using their notes and online resources.

Examinations:

Externally assessed unit of 1 hour 15 minutes - **June 2018**

Additional support available to pupils:

Specific revision and coursework catch up sessions are held on Mondays 3:35pm- 5pm and Wednesday and Thursday lunchtimes. Parents may be contacted for support in ensuring their child attends these when necessary. The department is open early in the morning (from 8:00 am) and students can use rooms and equipment.

Physics – Subject Leader: Mr M Patchett

Specification: AQA Physics 8463 (GCSE 91)

The GCSE Physics course is studied over the latter part of year 9, 10 and 11 and pupils will be examined by 2 x 1hour 45 minutes long answer final written papers in May/ June at the end of Year 11.

Paper 1

What is assessed?

Topics 1 – 4: Energy, electricity, particle model of matter, atomic structure.

How it is assessed?

Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes, foundation and higher tier.

100 marks, 50% of GCSE.

Style of questions:

Multiple choice, structured, closed short answer and open response.

Paper 2

What is assessed?

Topics 5–8: Forces, waves, magnetism and electromagnetism, space (Triple award students only).

How it is assessed?

Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes, foundation and higher tier.

100 marks, 50% of GCSE.

Style of questions:

Multiple choice, structured, closed short answer and open response.

There is no longer any course work attached to this qualification. However, students are expected to take part in twelve required practicals throughout the course. Students may be questioned in the exam on these experiments.

Revision Guides for Physics are available to buy from the Prep room at a cost of £4. It is advised that all pupils have one in order to be fully prepared for the examinations. Past papers are available on the AQA website and on the Huggle website. As the exam season approaches there will be revision sessions organised to support revision.

GCSE PE (Sports Studies) - Subject Leader: Mr M Behan

Specification: OCR PE J587 (GCSE 91)

Non-examination Assessment Requirements:

The non-examination assessment element of this course contributes to 40% of the total marks available.

1. Three practical performances:30%
2. Evaluating and analysing performance:10%

The practical assessments are ongoing throughout the course. The practical grades and video evidence are then submitted in the Spring Term of Year 11.

Examination Requirements:

1. Physical factors affecting performance: 30%
2. Socio-cultural issues and sports psychology: 30%

A total of two examination papers (2 x 1 hour) taken at the end of the two year course.

Additional support available to pupils:

1. Extracurricular clubs take place at lunchtime and after school for those pupils interested in improving skills or gaining coaching and officiating experience.
2. **Lunchtime support sessions** will be available to all pupils who would like extra support. This is an ideal opportunity for pupils to discuss homework or classwork with a member of staff.
3. Revision sessions will take place in the spring term, details of these will be provided.
4. Use of OCR website to access past papers and mark schemes.

Examination Board Websites:

AQA – www.aqa.org.uk

Edexcel/Pearson – <https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/home.html>

OCR – www.ocr.org.uk

WJEC - <http://www.eduqas.co.uk/>

Ofsted Parent View website:

We would like to invite all parents/carers to complete the questionnaire on Ofsted's Parent View website which gives you the chance to tell Ofsted what you think about our school, from the quality of teaching, to dealing with bullying and poor behaviour.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>