



Year 11 Parents' Webinar

Why have we invited you to this webinar?

- To inform you about the forthcoming examination period.
- To tell you about the support in place from school.
- To develop your confidence in the ways you can support at home.
- To further help you understand what 'good' revision looks like.
- To share how we will seek to celebrate with our Year 11s.



54 days until the first GCSE exam

29 *school* days until the first GCSE exam



Countdown to GCSEs

Attendance

Punctuality

- We need our students to be in school to make a difference in the final few weeks as they head towards the examinations.
- Students with attendance below 90% are statistically already likely to struggle to achieve the grades they are capable of.
- As courses finish, lessons will focus on supporting students' revision.
- This is better done together than working in isolation.
- Punctuality is crucial as lots of intervention is taking place in this time for core subjects.



Making it Count

What have we been doing to support Year 11?

- High quality teaching and learning.
- Intervention sessions especially in core subjects.
- Programme of revision which wraps around the day.
- Step Up study sessions on each evening after school.
- Devolved Core PE time.
- Dedicated Year 11 pastoral team.
- Careers interviews and post-16 preparation.
- Focus on the 'Basics' in English and Mathematics.
- Parent event(s) and continued communication.
- Bespoke Year 11 assembly rota.
- Booklet work for core subjects in tutor time, alongside time for producing revision timetables and reflecting on PPE results.
- Mentoring.



School

Easter / Saturdays / May Half Term ...

- MS Teams sessions in Geography, English, History, Business and Science.

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- In school sessions for Maths, Dance, Computer Science, Music and Art.
- Additional sessions ran over Saturdays and May half term to help prepare.



School

Up-to-date Revision Timetable:

w/c 13th April

Time/Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Before School (08:00 - 08:50)							
Registration (08:50 - 09:10)							
Lunchtime (12:30 - 13:15)							
After School (15:20 - 16:00)							
Evening							
Evening							

w/c 20th April

Time/Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Before School (08:00 - 08:50)							
Registration (08:50 - 09:10)							
Lunchtime (12:30 - 13:15)							
After School (15:20 - 16:00)							
Evening							
Evening							

w/c 27th April

Time/Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Before School (08:00 - 08:50)							
Registration (08:50 - 09:10)							
Lunchtime (12:30 - 13:15)							
After School (15:20 - 16:00)							
Evening							
Evening							

After School (15:20 - 16:00)							
Evening							
Evening							

w/c 11th May

Time/Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Before School (08:00 - 08:50)	English Lit Component 1 GCSE			Maths Paper 1 GCSE			
Registration (08:50 - 09:10)							
Lunchtime (12:30 - 13:15)		Biology Paper 1 GCSE					
After School (15:20 - 16:00)							
Evening							
Evening							

w/c 18th May

Time/Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Before School (08:00 - 08:50)	Chemistry Paper 1 GCSE	English Lit Component 2 GCSE		English Lang Component 1 GCSE			
Registration (08:50 - 09:10)							
Lunchtime (12:30 - 13:15)							
After School (15:20 - 16:00)							
Evening							
Evening							

Half Term - Study Leave Begins

w/c 25th May

Time/Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Morning							
Afternoon							
Evening							

w/c 1st June

Time/Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Morning		Physics Paper 1 GCSE	Maths Paper 2 GCSE		English Lang Component 2 GCSE		
Afternoon							
Evening							

w/c 8th June

Time/Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Morning	Biology Paper 2 GCSE		Maths Paper 3 GCSE				Chemistry Paper 2 GCSE
Afternoon							
Evening							

w/c 15th June

Time/Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Morning	Physics Paper 2 GCSE						
Afternoon							
Evening							



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Spring Intervention Timetable:

Day	Subject	Time	Students Involved	Additional Information
Monday	Biology	Registration	Invite only	
	Music	Lunchtime	Open to all	
	Spanish	Lunchtime	Foundation students only	
	Engineering	Lunchtime and after school	Open to all	Coursework catch-up drop in
	Chemistry	15:20 – 16:00	Separate science students only	Any students who can't make their allotted day can switch sessions
	Hospitality and Catering	After school	Invite only	To support the progress of coursework
	Spanish	After school	Open to all	
Tuesday	Maths	08:20 – 08:50	Open to all	Higher students in C2 and C4, Foundation in C5
	English	08:30 - 09:10	Invite only	Targeted at students Grade 5+
	Engineering	Lunchtime and after school	Open to all	Coursework catch-up drop in
	Chemistry	15:20 – 16:00	Trilogy students only	Any students who can't make their allotted day can switch sessions
	Biology	After school	Invite only	
	Music	After school	Open to all	
	Art (CCL)	After school	Open to all	End of Autumn term deadline for coursework
	Computer Science	After school	Open to all	
	Creative Media	After school	Open to all	Coursework catch-up
	History	After school	Invite only	Targeted intervention
Wednesday	Dance	08:00	Invite only	Sessions will help with extended questions / past papers
	Geography	08:00 - 08:40	Open to all	
	Engineering	Lunchtime and after school	Open to all	Coursework catch-up drop in
	PE	15:20 - 16:00	Invite only	GCSE PE coursework catch up session in the OTC
	Geography	15:30 - 16:10	Open to all	Repeated morning session for those unable to attend
	Spanish	After school	Higher students only	
	Art (CCL)	After school	Open to all	End of Autumn term deadline for coursework
	Art (MHA)	After school	Open to all	End of Autumn term deadline for coursework
Thursday	Maths	08:20 – 08:50	Open to all	Begins 6th Oct, Higher students in C2 and C4, Foundation in C5
	English	08:30 - 09:10	Invite only	Targeted at students Grade 4+
Friday	History	Before school	Open to all	Revision



School

Study Leave Arrangements

- Study leave will commence for students from **Friday 22 May**.
- From the point of examinations (Thursday 7 May) we will be supporting students by providing blocks of teacher-led revision sessions directly in advance of the examination they will sit.

Here's an example of how it will look...

Thursday 7 May		Friday 8 May	
Week B	AM: Period 1 – Options Period 2 - English	AM: SPORT EXAM Period 1 – Maths Period 2 – Science	
	Period 3 – Science	Period 3 – Options	Drama Study session
	PM: Period 4 – <u>option</u> Period 5 – Maths	PM: DRAMA EXAM Period 4 – English Period 5 – Option	English Study session
	Sport Study session		



School

You can make an enormous difference:

Parental engagement in supporting learning in the home is the single most important changeable factor in student achievement.

Harris and Goodall, 2007

For all children, the quality of the home learning environment is more important for intellectual and social development than parent occupation, education or income.

Sylva et al, 2004

Parents do not need all the answers, instead ...
focus on providing **support**, know **what works** for your child, and show **patience**.



Parents

What type of student is your child?

Perfectionist

Avoider

Defier

Dreamer



- Agree the balance between work and social life. Let them be part of this. Check in with them regularly to review how the plan is working.
- Students may fall behind, feel demotivated, or overwhelmed. Talk to them, acknowledge how they are feeling and take a sensible approach to getting them through that wave.
- Be flexible with them if they are not doing 100% of what you expect – even doing 80% of that is likely to be okay at this point.
- Students can sometimes catastrophise. Listen, try and understand and let us know. We can support you when they are having wobbles.

Parents

Support positive revision habits

Establish regular learning routines at home. Over Easter they should be aiming for 6 hours a day. Then when we return capping it at 3 hours with 6 at weekend.

Provide a distraction free space. Avoid the bedroom! Think about things like dining room table – remove mobiles for the time studying.

Ensure they have basic learning equipment for when revising. Is it all together? Make this as easy as possible.



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Effective revision

Application

This will have been practised through exam questions BUT should now be one of the primary forms of revision.

Understanding

This should be done when they have been 'taught' – followed up with revision activities.

Knowledge

This should be done when they have been 'taught' – followed up with retrieval exercises.



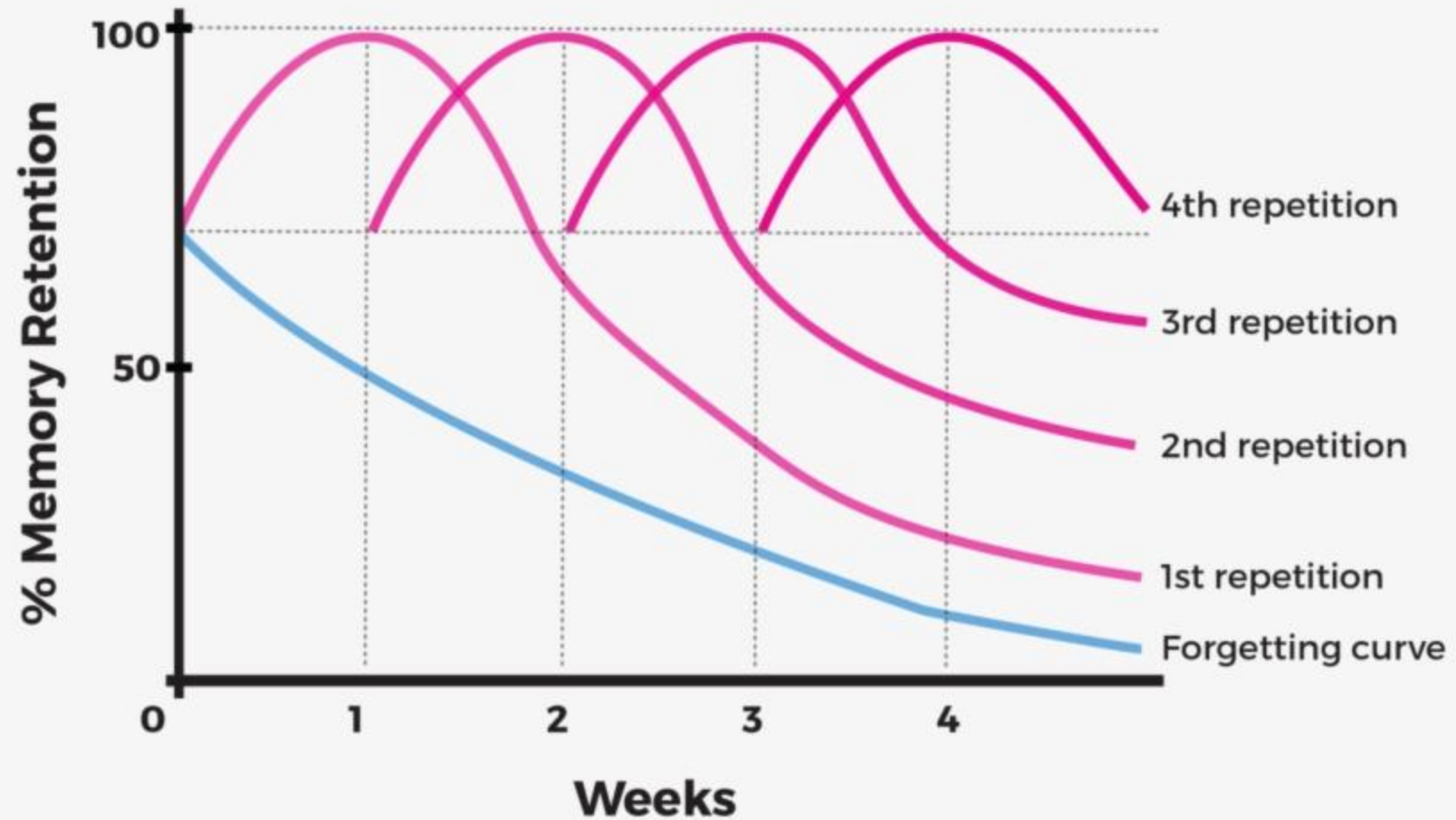
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With every repeated practice, more is retained over a longer period.



Curve of Forgetting

For newly learned information



Parents

Looking after them

Sleep hygiene

Diet

Exercise

Mental health



Parents

Things to look forward to:

The Year 11 Leavers' Celebration assembly will take place Wednesday 24th June 9am – 10am in the drama studio.

Year 11 Prom will take place on Thursday 25th June at Aintree Racecourse – payment deadline for this is 30th April (£75pp).



Celebration



Thank you! Questions?