

Bishop Heber High School

Key Stage 4 GCSE Information



2016-2018

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

KEY STAGE 4 DEADLINE DATES 2016-2018

The next two years are extremely important in the education of your son/daughter and all students will be expected to complete a number of assessments as part of their examination subjects.

Therefore we have put together a detailed booklet for all students and parents which should be used to help organise the workload expectations in Key Stage 4. This will enable everyone to keep up-to-date with work and meet the deadline dates expected for each subject. Some subjects may provide students with a more detailed coursework outline.

The dates and information in this booklet is the School's present understanding of Year 9's future planned GCSE assessment. In KS4 it is, however, still possible that some aspects may change and parents are advised to use this booklet as a guide to assessment including dates.

Those students who do not meet these deadline dates will be expected to make up the time in after-school sessions organised by the specific subject area.

I hope this gives all parents and students a more accurate overview of the years ahead and will enable your son/daughter to achieve their best in Years 10 and 11.

If you wish any further information please feel free to contact the relevant subject area.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Balmer
Head of Year 10

ART AND DESIGN

Option/Choice:	• B, C & D
Examining Board:	• AQA
Requirements:	Component 1: • Portfolio Unit consisting of 3 units of coursework (worth 60%) • Unit 1 - Year 10 • Unit 2 - Year 10 • Unit 3 - Year 11 Component 2: • Final exam (worth 40%)
Examination Requirements	• Preparatory Period (beginning in February) followed by 10 hours of supervised exam.
Final Completion Date:	• May 2018
Intermediate Dates:	• Mock exam in November 2017 (Unit 3 Examined)
Additional Comments:	• All subject content aims to introduce a variety of media and processes in order to improve and broaden skills. In year 10 students will develop work in response to a subject, theme, task or brief evidencing the journey from initial engagement with an idea to the realisation of intentions. • Students will demonstrate, through extended creative responses, their ability to draw together different areas of knowledge, skills and understanding from across their course study. • Sketchbooks and Portfolios will be offered to students at a reduced cost. • Keep up to date with Exhibitions and the coverage of Art topics in the media.
Websites:	• http://artuk.org/ (Art UK is a joint initiative between the Public Catalogue Foundation (now known as Art UK), 3,000 museums and other art collections, and the BBC. Great informative website.) • http://www.theguardian.com/artanddesign/art (A leading source for arts news and articles.) • http://www.emptykingdom.com/ (A group of artists, writers, filmmakers, musicians, designers, and thinkers busy overturning all the rules and trying to make the world a better place!) • http://designcollector.net/ (Art, design, illustration, photography, music, motion and visual overdose.)

BUSINESS STUDIES - BTEC LEVEL 2

Option/Choice:	• C
Examining Board:	• Edexcel
Requirements:	• 25% Examination • 75% Assignments
Examination Requirements	• Unit 1 – Enterprise in the Real World (Core Unit). 3 separate assignments (25%) • Unit 2 – Finance in the Real World - (Core Unit) exam: 1 hour (25%) • Unit 3 – Promoting a Brand - 2 separate assignments (25%) • Unit 4 – Principles of Customer Service - 2 separate assignments (25%)
Final Completion Date:	• April 2018
Intermediate Dates:	Controlled Assessments will be completed by the following dates: • Unit 1 – February 2017 • Unit 2 – June 2017 • Unit 3 – November 2017 • Unit 4 – April 2018
Additional Comments:	• The subject content is split into four units: 1) Enterprise in the Real World, 2) Finance in the Real World, 3) Promoting a Brand, 4) Principles of Customer Service. • In the specification content, students are encouraged to study examples of real life businesses. This will enable them to produce assignments where they can relate to real world examples such as Manchester United and McDonalds. Case studies are used throughout the teaching of the four distinct units, this allows students to develop context and in depth knowledge and understanding. • Text books will be supplied in class and a revision guide for: Finance in the Real World will be supplied to all students. • Students are encouraged to keep up to date with current affairs and watch the news regularly or use news apps
Websites:	• http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/btec-firsts/business-2012-nqf.html • www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/business/ - BBC revision site • http://www.tutor2u.net/business/blog/gcse-igcse-business-studies-revision-notes-master-listing • http://revisionworld.com/gcse-revision/business-studies/edexcel-business-studies • http://www.bankofengland.co.uk/education/Pages/default.aspx • Business review – a Magazine with current topical case studies • GoJimo – free multiple choice revision for Edexcel

BUSINESS STUDIES – GCSE

Option/Choice:	• B & D
Examining Board:	• Edexcel
Requirements:	• 75% Examination • 25% Controlled Assessment
Examination Requirements	• Paper 1 – Introduction to Small Business. Multi-Choice exam: 45 minutes (25%) • Paper 2 – Investigating a Small Business. Controlled Assessment: 6 hours preparation, 3 hour write up (25%) • Paper 3 – Building a Business. Written exam: 1 hour 30 minutes (30%)
Final Completion Date:	• July 2018
Intermediate Dates:	• Controlled Assessment will be completed by September 2017
Additional Comments:	• The subject content is split into three units: 1) Introduction to Small Business, 2) Investigating a Small Business 3) Building a Business. • In the specification content, students are encouraged to study examples of real life businesses. This will enable them to relate theory with case studies and examples. Case studies are used in the examination, which requires students to develop context and in depth of knowledge and understanding. • Text books will be supplied in class. However, a revision guide and student workbook are available from the finance office at £3.50 per book. • Past papers are used extensively for homework activities and revision • For the controlled assessment, students will be set a task involving researching a small business of their choice in the local area, before writing up a report under exam conditions. • Students are encouraged to keep up to date with current affairs and watch the news regularly or use news apps. Programmes such as Dragons Den, The Apprentice and Panorama are recommended viewing.
Websites:	• http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/business-2009.html • www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/business/ - BBC revision site • http://www.tutor2u.net/business/blog/gcse-igcse-business-studies-revision-notes-master-listing • http://revisionworld.com/gcse-revision/business-studies/edexcel-business-studies • http://www.bankofengland.co.uk/education/Pages/default.aspx • Business review – a Magazine with current topical case studies • GoJimo – free multiple choice revision for Edexcel

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Option/Choice:	B
Examining Board:	OCR
Requirements:	80% - Two Examinations 20% - Programming Projects
Examination Requirements	Unit 1 – Computer Systems (Exam 40%) <i>This component is an exam focused on computer systems covering the physical elements of computer science and the associated theory.</i> Unit 2 – Computational Thinking, Algorithms and Programming (Exam 40%) <i>This component is focused on the core theory of computer science and the application of computer science principles.</i> Unit 3 – Programming Project (Non-Exam Assessment 20%) <i>This component is the non-exam assessment where candidates will be challenged by a range of exciting and engaging tasks to apply knowledge and skills they have learned.</i>
Final Completion Date:	May 2018
Intermediate Dates:	Controlled Assessment will be completed in 2018 (Unit 3 – Programming Project)
Additional Comments:	This is a course that has real relevance in our modern world. While learners will no doubt already have some knowledge of computers and related areas, the course will give them an in-depth understanding of how computer technology works and a look at what goes on “behind the scenes”. As part of this, they will investigate computer programming, which many learners find interesting. Information technologies continue to have a growing importance. This means there will be a bigger demand for professionals who are qualified in this area. If learners want to go on to higher education and employment in the field of Computer Science, they will find that this course provides a superb stepping stone. Learners who have taken a Computing GCSE and who then progress to study the subject at A Level and university will have a sound underpinning knowledge of this subject area.
Revision Guide/s:	Python for Dummies
Websites:	www.codecademy.org. www.code.org

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY – NEW FOOD PREPARATION & NUTRITION

Option/Choice:	• D
Examining Board:	• AQA
Requirements:	• 50% Examination • 15% Non Exam Assessment 1: Food science investigation - 10 hours • 35% Non Exam Assessment 2: Practical task - 20 hours
Examination Requirements	• 50% Written Examination at end of Year 11 – 1 hour 45 minutes • Section A: Multiple choice questions (20 marks) • Section B: 5 questions (80 marks), Subject content; • Food preparation skills - integrated into the five sections; Food, nutrition & health Food science Food safety Food choice Food provenance
Final Completion Date:	• April 2018
Intermediate Dates:	Task release dates: • Task 1 - 1st September 2017 • Task 2 - 1st November 2017
Additional Comments:	• Task 1: Food investigation tests the students' understanding of the working characteristics, functional and chemical properties of ingredients. It is assessed as a written or electronic report (1,500–2,000 words) including photographic evidence of the practical investigation. • Task 2: Food preparation assessment tests the students' knowledge, skills and understanding in relation to the planning, preparation, cooking, presentation of food and application of nutrition related to the chosen task. Students will prepare, cook and present a final menu of three dishes within a single period of no more than three hours, planning in advance how this will be achieved. It is assessed as a written or electronic portfolio including photographic evidence. Photographic evidence of the three final dishes must be included.
Revision Guide/s:	The following textbooks have been selected for the AQA approval process: • AQA GCSE Food Preparation & Nutrition; Alexis Rickus, Bev Saunder, Yvonne Mackey, Hodder Education, to be published 29/07/2016 • AQA GCSE Food Preparation & Nutrition; Anita Tull, Garry Littlewood, Illuminate
Websites:	• AQA Specification: http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/food-preparation-and-nutrition/gcse • AQA Subject Content: http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/food-preparation-and-nutrition/gcse/food-preparation-and-nutrition-8585/subject-content/food-choice

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY – GRAPHIC PRODUCTS

Option/Choice:	• C
Examining Board:	• AQA
Requirements:	• 40% Unit 1 - Written Examination • 60% Unit 2 - Controlled Assessment Folder that includes Design Work and Evaluation Practical Work – Model(s)
Final Completion Date:	• February 2018
Intermediate Dates:	Controlled Assessments will be completed by the following dates: • Design Work – December 2017 (Year 11) • Model/Practical Work – February 2018 (Year 11)
Additional Comments:	• Controlled Assessment starts in April 2017. • Computer Aided Design software available from school – see DT Department. Students need to develop these skills in order to access the higher results. • Textbooks will be issued in school as and when needed • Portfolios will be submitted to the exam board in electronic format. Students will require access to PowerPoint for work at home.
Revision Guide/s:	• CGP GCSE Design & Technology Graphic Products AQA Revision Guide
Websites:	• www.technologystudent.com • www.glover.co.uk/graphics • http://ergonomics4schools.com/ • http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/design/ • http://www.design-technology.info/ • http://www.instructables.com/ • http://stepin.org/

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY - RESISTANT MATERIALS

Option/Choice:	• B, C and D
Examining Board:	• AQA
Requirements:	• 40% Unit 1 - Written Examination • 60% Unit 2 - Controlled Assessment Folder that includes Design Work and Evaluation Practical Work – Model(s)
Final Completion Date:	• February 2018
Intermediate Dates:	Controlled Assessment will be completed by the following dates: • Design Work – September 2017 (Year 11) • Model / Practical Work – February 2018 (Year 11)
Additional Comments:	• Controlled Assessment starts April 2017. • Computer Aided Design software available from school – see DT Department. Students need to develop these skills in order to access the higher results. • Textbooks will be issued in school as and when needed • Portfolios will be submitted to the exam board in electronic format. Students will require access to PowerPoint for work at home.
Revision Guide/s:	• CGP GCSE Design & Technology Resistant Materials AQA Revision Guide
Websites	• www.technologystudent.com • www.gglover.co.uk • http://ergonomics4schools.com/ • http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/design/ • http://www.design-technology.info/ • http://www.instructables.com/ • http://stepin.org/

DRAMA

Option/Choice:	• B & C
Examining Board:	• AQA
Requirements:	• 40% Written Examination • 60% Practical: Devised and Scripted
Examination Requirements	• Component 1: Understanding Drama: 1 hour 45 minute exam: worth 40% of GCSE. In this component students will demonstrate their knowledge of evaluating live theatre and exploring a script to complete a written exam. • Component 2: Devising: Practical Performance and logbook: worth 30% of GCSE. This unit is entirely practical and allows students to perform a devised performance based around a theme of their choice. They can select whether to perform or support a group technically; for example: lighting, sound, masks/make-up, set design or props and stage management. • Component 3: Performing Scripts: Performance of 2 extracts from a play to a visiting examiner: worth 30% GCSE
Final Completion Date:	• May 2018
Intermediate Dates:	• Contribution to whole school production November 2016 • Controlled Assessment (Component 2) will be completed by July 2017
Additional Comments:	• The subject content is split into 3 components units: 1) Understanding Drama 2) Devising: Practical Performance 3) Performing Scripts • It is a course which allows students the flexibility to specialise in their chosen area of Theatre Production from acting to set design • All resources required will be posted on E:heber under Key Stage 4 Drama • Scripts for Understanding Drama and Performing Scripts will be supplied in class • All students will attend at least one Live theatre trip • Drama Residential Weekend at the Conway Centre, Menai – Spring term 2017
Revision Guide/s:	• A Study Guide to Blood Brothers for GCSE: All Tiers by Janet Marsh, David Jones, 4 Aug 2011, Paperback
Websites:	• http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/drama/gcse • http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/english_literature/dramabloodbrothers/ • http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zbckjxs • http://www.nationaldrama.org.uk/cpd/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/1GCSE-Drama-Spec-Launch-Presentation-version-1.3.pdf • https://www.nationaltheatre.org.uk/?gclid=CNfts8Wq3swCFYZuGwodsA4McA

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Option/Choice:	Core Subject
Examining Board:	EDUQAS
Requirements:	100% - Two Examinations worth 40% and 60%
Examination Requirement:	- Paper 1 (40%) – 20th Century Literature Reading and Creative Prose Writing - Paper 2 (60%) – 19th and 21st Century Non-Fiction and Transactional /Persuasive Writing
Final Completion Date:	Summer 2017
Intermediate Dates:	Component 3 (non-exam) – Non graded speaking assessment
Additional Comments:	Textbooks: - WJEC EDUQAS GCSE Book 1 English Language ISBN 978-0-19-833282-4 - WJEC EDUQAS GCSE Book 2 English Language ISBN 978-0-19-833283-1
Revision Guide/s:	- Revise WJEC EDUQAS GCSE (9-10) English Language Revision Workbook ISBN 978-1-4479-8795-6 - Revise WJEC EDUQAS GCSE (9-10) English Language Revision Guide ISBN 978-1-4479-8810-6
Websites:	EDUQAS Specification www.eduqas.co.uk

ENGLISH LITERATURE

Option/Choice:	• Core Subject
Examining Board:	• EDUQAS
Requirements:	• 100% - Two Examinations
Examination Requirement:	• Paper 1 (40%) – Shakespeare and Poetry • Paper 2 (60%) – Post 1914 Prose/Drama and Unseen Poetry
Final Completion Date:	• Summer 2018
Intermediate Dates:	• Not applicable
Additional Comments:	Textbooks: • WJEC EDUQAS GCSE English Literature ISBN 978-0-833284-8
Revision Guide/s:	
Websites:	• EDUQAS Specification www.eduqas.co.uk

GEOGRAPHY

Option/Choice:	• B, C & D
Examining Board:	• AQA
Requirements:	• 100% - Three Examinations • 2 full days of Fieldwork
Examination Requirements	• Paper 1 - Living with the Physical Environment. Written exam: 1 hour 30 minutes (35%) • Paper 2 – Challenges of the Human Environment. Written exam: 1 hour 30 minutes (35%) • Paper 3 – Geographical Applications. Fieldwork Skills and SDME. Written exam: 1 hour 15 minutes (30%)
Final Completion Date:	• Summer 2018
Intermediate Dates:	• Not Applicable
Additional Comments:	• The subject content is split into four units: 1) Living with the Physical Environment, 2) Challenges in the Human Environment, 3) Geographical Applications and 4) Geographical Skills. • In the specification content, students are required to study case studies and examples. Case studies are broader in context and require greater breadth and depth of knowledge and understanding. • All resources required will be posted on E:heber under the Key Stage 4 Exam Success and Fieldwork Skills section. • Text books will be supplied in class. No additional books are required as work has to be completed using only specified resources. • Keep up to date with current affairs and Geography around us via news apps, twitter and magazines
Revision Guide(s):	• CGP AQA Geography guide.
Websites/Apps:	• http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/geography/gcse/geography-8035 • www.ordnancesurvey.co.uk - Mapping • www.geographyalltheway.com - Good geography resources website • www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/geography/ - BBC revision site • www.geography-map-games.com - Good test yourself games • www.rgs.org - The website of the Royal Geographical Society • www.geography.org.uk - Website of the Geographical Association • www.s-cool.co.uk/alevel/geography.html -GCSE and 'A' Level revision • www.gapminder.org/ - interesting apps and news • GoJimo – free multiple choice revision for AQA • Guardian – setup to receive to environmental news notifications to get the latest geography goings on. • National Geographic – latest events in the world of geography.

HISTORY

Option/Choice:	B, C & D
Examining Board:	Edexcel
Requirements:	100% - Three Examinations
Examination Requirements	- Paper 1 (1 Hour 15 mins) British Thematic Study with Historic Environment – 30% Medicine in Britain, c1000–present with The British sector of the Western Front, 1914–18: surgery and treatment - Paper 2 (1 Hour 45 mins) British Depth Study and Period Study – 40% Anglo-Saxon and Norman England, c1060–88 and The American West, c1835–c1895 - Paper 3 (1 Hour 15 mins) Modern Depth Study – 30% Weimar and Nazi Germany, 1918–39
Final Completion Date:	Summer 2018
Additional Comments:	- Example past papers, mark schemes and information on controlled assessment are available from the Edexcel website. - Textbooks and resources will be provided in lessons. - Edexcel GCSE (9-1) History Medicine through time, c1250-present Student Book ISBN 9781292127378 - Edexcel GCSE (9-1) History The American West, c1835–c1895 Student Book ISBN 9781292127309
Revision Guide/s:	Updated revision guides are likely to appear nearer to the final exams in 2018. However, the existing revision guides below cover the majority of the course: - CGP GCSE Schools History Project Revision Guide by Richard Parsons ISBN 978 1 84762 281 5 - My Revision Notes OCR (A) GCSE Schools History Project by Louise O'Gorman, Editor: Bill Marriott ISBN: 978-1444158540 Soon to be published revision guides/workbooks: - Revise Edexcel GCSE (9-1) History Anglo-Saxon and Norman England Revision Guide and Workbook ISBN 9781292169743 - Revise Edexcel GCSE (9-1) History Medicine in Britain Revision Guide and Workbook ISBN 9781292169729 - Revise Edexcel GCSE (9-1) History The American West Revision Guide and Workbook ISBN 9781292169774 - Revise Edexcel GCSE (9-1) History Weimar and Nazi Germany Revision Guide and Workbook ISBN 9781292169736
Websites:	http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcse/history-2016.html - Edexcel's own information page and resources. http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/history/shp/ - BBC revision site. http://www.johndclare.net/ Modern History Revision site – Good coverage of the Weimar and Nazi Germany module. http://www.tutor2u.net/history/blog/gcse-history-revision-quizzes - Revision quizzes on GCSE History topics. - GoJimo – free multiple choice revision.

LANGUAGES – FRENCH, GERMAN, SPANISH

Option/Choice:	• Key Stage 4
Examining Board:	• AQA
Requirements:	• 100% - Four Examinations • There is no coursework element to this course.
Examination Requirements	• Unit 1 – Listening Examination (25%) • Unit 2 – Speaking Examination (25%) • Unit 3 – Reading Examination (25%) • Unit 4 – Writing Examination (25%)
Final Completion Date:	• Summer 2018
Intermediate Dates:	• Not Applicable
Additional Comments:	• Tiered Entry: Students must sit all elements of the course at either foundation level or higher level. It will not be possible to sit different tiers for different units. • All examinations are externally assessed. • Revision resources, course information and GCSE vocabulary lists available on e-heber.
Revision Guide/s:	• ISBN-13: 978-1841463735 (CGP complete French revision guide and practice book with audio CD) • ISBN-13: 978-1841463889 (CGP complete Spanish revision guide and practice book with audio CD) • ISBN-13: 978-1847624338 (CGP complete German revision guide and practice book with audio CD)
Websites:	• Students can access electronic resources at linguascope.com Username: heber Password: berlin

LANGUAGES – CHINESE

Option/Choice:	• B, C & D
Examining Board:	• AQA
Requirements:	• 100% - Four Examinations
Examination Requirements	• Two pieces of written work and two pieces of speaking work. • Written pieces in the target language, approximately 150 characters each. • Each speaking assessment prepared and practised in class, but conducted in controlled conditions. • Speaking assessments to last 6 minutes each.
Final Completion Date:	• Speaking completed in March 2017 • Writing completed before the end of the Summer Term 2017 (Key Stage 4) • Speaking completed before the end of the Autumn Term 2018 (Year 11) • Writing completed in February 2018 • Deadline for sending work to the exam board is May 2018
Intermediate Dates:	• Not Applicable
Additional Comments:	• List of further available online learning opportunities given to students by class teacher.
Revision Guide/s:	• Revision material is supplied by the Chinese teacher.
Websites:	• Electronic resources available at: http://www.chinese.cn/kid/en/

MATHEMATICS

Option/Choice:	• Core
Examining Board:	• Edexcel
Requirements:	• 100% - Three Examinations
Value of Controlled Assessment:	• Not Applicable
Final Completion Date:	• Summer 2018
Intermediate Dates:	• Mock exams in Nov 2017 and Jan 2018, following completion of the course
Additional Comments:	• Not Applicable
Revision Guide/s:	• Mathswatch CD • Revision Guides - CGP, Pearson or Collins. You will receive a letter giving you an opportunity to buy these from school.
Websites:	• Mymaths: www.mymaths.co.uk (password given to students). This is a web based resource, paid for by the school. All students will have been given a password, so that they can access lessons and on-line tasks. • Pixl Maths App: www.maths.pixl.org.uk (password given to students). This Maths App allows students to work on Maths challenges at the most appropriate level, with an opportunity to focus on areas of improvement. • www.onmaths.com

MUSIC

Option/Choice:	D
Examining Board:	Edexcel
Requirements:	40% Written Examination 60% Non-examined Assessment
Assessment Requirements	Component 1: Performing (Controlled Assessment) – Students produce recordings of performing on an instrument or voice in both a solo and ensemble context. The combined performing time should be of at least four minutes. Internally marked and externally moderated. Component 2: Composing (Controlled Assessment) – Students compose two compositions with a combined duration of at least three minutes. One composition is in response to a set brief, the other is a free choice. Internally marked and externally moderated. Component 3: Appraising (1 hour 45 minute examination) – This is a listening examination comprising questions about pieces of music studied across the course.
Final Completion Date:	April 2018
Intermediate Dates:	Controlled Assessments will be completed by the following dates: - December 2016 – Performance 1 - June 2017 – Performance 2 - June 2017 – Composition 1
Additional Comments:	- Performing repertoire can be drawn from students' own interests and specialisms. - You will be expected to work on performance pieces in class, with your instrumental or vocal teacher and through independent practice. - If you are not currently receiving instrumental or vocal tuition, see Mr Ferrelly as soon as possible. - The listening repertoire is drawn from four areas of study. These are: - Instrumental Music 1700-1820 - Vocal Music - Music for Stage and Screen - Fusions
Revision Guide/s:	Revision Guides for this new course are awaiting publication. Rhinegold have traditionally produced excellent Music revision guides. Details will be passed to students when published.
Websites:	- Edexcel website – Follow the links to <i>GCSE Music from September 2016</i> for up to date information about the course. - YouTube clips of: <i>Defying Gravity</i> from <i>Wicked</i>, <i>Killer Queen</i> by Queen, <i>Release</i> by Afro Celt Sound System, and <i>Star Wars</i> Main Theme from Episode IV: A New Hope. These are just four of the set works being studied and should be listened to prior to starting the course in September 2016. - Students with access to iPhone or iPad technology should familiarise themselves with the recording app GarageBand. - Students who are experienced readers of music with PC or Mac access should download and familiarise themselves with the free software Muse Score.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION - BTEC LEVEL 1/2 SPORT

Option/Choice:	• B
Examining Board:	• EdExcel
Requirements:	• Coursework • 100% of Final Assessment
Value of Controlled Assessment:	• 25% External Assessment – Mandatory Unit 1-Fitness for Sport & Exercise (1 hr exam) • 75% Internal Assessment – Coursework Mandatory Unit 2 Practical Sports Performance • Choice of 2 Optional Specialist Units
Final Completion Date:	• April 2018
Intermediate Dates:	• Each Unit and Assignment will have specific deadline date set over the 2 year course which will be given to students at the start of the course
Additional Comments:	• External Assessment exam is an on-screen test. Resits are available. • No controlled assessment requirements in Key Stage 4 for written coursework
Revision Guides	• BTEC First in Sport Revision Workbook ISBN 9781446906712 • BTEC First in Sport Revision Guide ISBN 9781446906705

PHYSICAL EDUCATION - GCSE

Option/Choice:	• B
Examining Board:	• AQA
Requirements:	• 60% - Examined Assessment - 2 Written Papers (both 1 hour 15 minutes) 1) The human body and movement in physical activity and sport 2) Sociocultural influences and well-being in physical activity and sport • 40% Practical Assessment
Value of Non Examined Assessment:	• 40% in total • Assessment of 3 Practical activities (30%) – Must be from the DFE list including 1 team and 1 individual activity, teacher assessed but externally moderated (requires some video evidence to be obtained by students) • Analysis and Evaluation of Performance – written project on the sport of their choice looking at strengths/weaknesses and suggesting how they would go about trying to improve their performance
Final Completion Date:	• April 2018
Intermediate Dates:	Controlled Assessments will be completed by the following dates: • December 2017 – Video Evidence submitted • March 2018 – Practical Moderation
Additional Comments:	• The course breaks down into 7 major topics: 1. Applied anatomy and physiology 2. Movement analysis 3. Physical training 4. Use of data 5. Sport psychology 6. Socio-cultural influences 7. Health, fitness and well-being • The continual participation in sports both in and out of school will be essential.
Revision Guide/s:	• Will be available as course progresses • Ischool GCSE PE Revision • Key Stage 4 / GCSE PE (by i-education)
Websites	• http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/physical-education/gcse/physical-education-8582 • http://www.brianmac.co.uk/index.htm • http://www.s-cool.co.uk/gcse/pe • http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/znyb4wx • http://revisionworld.com/gcse-revision/pe-physical-education

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Option/Choice:	D
Examining Board:	AQA, Religious Studies Specification A
Requirements:	100% - Two Examinations
Examination Requirements	Paper 1 – The study of religions: beliefs, teachings and practices of Christianity and Buddhism. Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes (50%) Paper 2 – Thematic studies. Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes (50%)
Final Completion Date:	Summer 2018
Intermediate Dates:	Not Applicable
Additional Comments:	- The Paper 2 Thematic content is split into four themes: 1) Relationships and families (Marriage, divorce, issues related to sex and sexuality, the family unit, gender equality); 2) Religion and life (Origins of the universe, scientific views, environment, use of animals, abortion, euthanasia); 3) Religion, peace and conflict (War, terrorism, nuclear weapons, forgiveness, pacifism); 4) Religion, crime and punishment (Causes of crime, corporal and capital punishment). - Text books will be supplied in class. No additional books are required as work has to be completed using only AQA specific resources. - Keep up to date with current affairs, religion and ethics around the world via news apps, twitter and magazines. BBC News regularly has useful stories.
Revision Guide/s:	'My revision notes' AQA GCSE Religious Studies Specification A, published by Hodder. Not yet published. Students will be informed when available.
Websites:	- BBC Bitesize (for videos and information, do not use tests or mock exams) - BBC Religion and Ethics: http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion - The Guardian Religion section: http://www.theguardian.com/world/religion - Buddhism: www.clear-vision.org

TRIPLE SCIENCE

Option/Choice:	• Option blocks, 14 lessons per fortnight • Triple Science 3 GCSEs • Biology, Chemistry and Physics
Examining Board:	• AQA
Requirements:	• 100% examination including practicals
Examination Requirements:	• 6 exams • 2 exam papers (1hr 45mins) for each Biology, Chemistry and Physics • 8 required practicals <u>for each</u> science completed over the course
Final Completion Date:	• Summer 2018
Intermediate Dates:	• N/A
Additional Comments:	Each paper contains short and long answer questions, structured and open response as well as multiple choice questions. • Biology Topics include - Cell Biology, Organisation, Infection and response, Bioenergetics, Homeostasis and response, Inheritance, variation and evolution, Ecology • Chemistry topics include – Atomic structure and the Periodic table, Bonding, Quantitative chemistry, Chemical changes, Energy changes, Rates, Organic chemistry Chemical analysis, Atmosphere and Using Resources. • Physics topics include – Forces, Energy, Waves, Electricity, Magnetism and Electromagnetism, Particle model, Atomic structure, Space Physics.
Revision Guide/s:	• Students will be notified of revision guides once these are published.
Websites:	• www.aqa.org.uk for exam papers • BBC Bitesize Revision www.bbc.co.uk/education (this website is also available as an app)

COMBINED SCIENCE TRILOGY

Option/Choice:	• Not an option subject, all students take • 9 lessons per fortnight • 2 Science GCSEs • Comprised of Biology, Chemistry and Physics
Examining Board:	• AQA
Requirements:	• 100% examination including practicals
Examination Requirements:	• 6 exams • 2 exam papers (1hr 15mins) for each Biology, Chemistry and Physics • 5/6 required practicals <u>for each</u> science completed over the course
Final Completion Date:	• Summer 2018
Intermediate Dates:	• N/A
Additional Comments:	Each paper contains short and long answer questions, structured and open response as well as multiple choice questions. • Biology Topics include - Cell Biology, Organisation, Infection and response, Bioenergetics, Homeostasis and response, Inheritance, variation and evolution, Ecology • Chemistry topics include – Atomic structure and the Periodic table, Bonding, Quantitative chemistry, Chemical changes, Energy changes, Rates, Organic chemistry Chemical analysis, Atmosphere and Using Resources. • Physics topics include – Forces, Energy, Waves, Electricity, Magnetism and Electromagnetism, Particle model, Atomic structure, Space Physics.
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REASEHEATH COLLEGE COURSES

Option/Choice:	• Vocational
Examining Board:	• City and Guilds Level 1
Requirements:	• Attend Reaseheath College on a Wednesday in Year 10, and on a Thursday in Year 11. • Transport is provided by the school. • You will be advised about specialist clothing required depending on the vocational course you have chosen. It is essential that you turn up to College with the appropriate equipment.
Assessment Requirements	• All assessments will take place at Reaseheath College • Part of the course will be continual assessment through practical activities. • End of year examinations.
Final Completion Date:	• April 2018
Intermediate Dates:	• Controlled Assessment will be completed by June 2017
Additional Comments:	The City & Guilds Level 1 Diploma in Land-based Studies includes the following options: • Agriculture • Animal Management • Equine • Horticulture Edexcel BTEC Level 1 Certificate in Construction • Construction
Websites:	• http://www.reaseheath.ac.uk/14-16-students/ • http://www.cityandguilds.com