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Dear Parent/Carer,

Our Year 10 Inventors have now completed their first term of learning towards their GCSE exams. With this letter, you will have received their first report, highlighting their current progress in their academic studies. This will show you how your child is doing in relation to their end of GCSE Target Grade.

In January 2025, the cohort will be completing their first set of mock GCSE exams. Along with this letter, your child will also have received the Mock Exam Timetable for the week commencing the 20th January. It is essential students attend school during this time so they can be accurately assessed and supported with their learning.

Over the coming weeks, we will be preparing our students for these exams, both in terms of how to effectively revise for them, but also around the standards and expectations which they need to follow during the week. The mock exams are the opportunity for students to revise and apply what they have learnt so far, but also to prepare and practise how to work within strict exam conditions. For these exams, JCQ Exam Regulations will be applied, and students will be informed as to what they are. The main guidelines can also be found here: [IFC-Written Examinations 2024 FINAL.pdf](#). This is the process put in place by the National regulatory body for exams, to ensure that all students complete exams in formal, official conditions.

Below is an outline of the exam boards for each of the main GCSE subjects, the topics which will have been covered by the mock exams, and some guidance around revision guides and other revision materials available. This is being provided so that you can further support your child with preparing for the exams. If you would like to discuss anything further, then please do not hesitate to get in touch with the Year 10 team.

Furthermore, Year 10 is also a time when we encourage our students to begin thinking about their potential plans for beyond GCSEs. As the Inventor in Year 10, we believe that our students should be ambitious, but also creative in their consideration for what they want to achieve in the future. As they move into Year 11 and become the Architect, it will be key for them to have a clear plan and understanding of what they wish to do for their Post-16 studies. At the end of this letter, you will find some preliminary information around the main options available to students, and a brief overview about what each of these pathways involves.

If you wish to discuss anything further, or need any additional support or information, please contact the Year 10 Team.

Kind regards,

Mr J. Grimwood
Assistant Headteacher – Director of Year 10





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<u>Subject</u>	<u>Exam Board</u>	<u>Topics so far</u>	<u>Revision Guides</u>	<u>Other Revision</u>
English	AQA	Literature – A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens Language – Paper 1 (Reading and Writing)	“Snap Revision” and CGP Revision Guides – Both available on ParentPay	CenturyTech – appropriate courses have been assigned and the students can access these on their personalised pathways online. Seneca Learning. Mr Bruff YouTube videos.
Mathematics	Edexcel	<p>Number</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Percentages – Repeated Percentage Change <p>Geometry</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Surface Area & Volume <p>Algebra</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Linear Simultaneous Equations Rearranging Formulae Linear Graphs – Equations 	Casio Calculator Fx-85GT Can buy on parent pay	<p>1st Class Maths- Free online GCSE Maths Revision</p> <p>Maths Genie • Learn GCSE Maths for Free</p> <p>Half Past Papers</p>
Science	Edexcel	<p>Biology</p> <p>CB1 – Key concepts in Biology</p> <p>CB2 – Cells and Control</p> <p>Chemistry</p> <p>CC3-7- Key concepts in Chemistry</p> <p>Physics</p> <p>CP1-2 – Motions and Forces</p> <p>CP3 – Conservation of Energy</p>	Available on ParentPay for £5. Work books are also available to work as a companion to the revision guide.	<p>BBC bitesize is the best website that is exam board specific. This provides content for both combined science and triple science.</p> <p>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zqkww6f</p> <p>Century Tech allows personalised courses to be assigned that students can work through.</p> <p>Educake is good for testing with short answer quizzes.</p>
History	Edexcel	<p>Option 11 – Medicine Through Time</p> <p>Medicine – Medieval, Renaissance, Industrial and Modern</p> <p>Case Study – Trenches in WW1</p>	<p>The Oxford Revision Series – can be purchased from Amazon for £5-7.</p> <p>Edexcel Pearson Revision Guides – can be purchased on Amazon for around £5.</p>	<p>Seneca Learning – students set revision work on here to be completed for the exam.</p> <p>BBC Bitesize- Medicine in Britain, c.1250 to the present day- GCSE History- BBC Bitesize</p>
Geography	AQA	Natural Hazards	These are being ordered by the Geography department and will be available via ParentPay.	<p>Century Tech – students can access relevant learning and knowledge to test their understanding.</p> <p>Revision Clocks – this method has been taught in class, students should make use of this technique at home.</p>



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Mock Exam Timetable

	Mon 20 Jan	Tue 21 Jan	Wed 22 Jan	Thu 23 Jan	Fri 24 Jan
Reg, P1&2	ENGLISH LANGUAGE 1h 45m {2h 12m}	MATHS 1 (non-calc) 1h {1m 15m}	ENGLISH LITERATURE 50m {1h 3m}	MATHS 2 (calc) 1h {1h 15m}	FRENCH READING/WRITING 1h 55m {2h 24m}
Exams Start: 08:55 unless otherwise specified	Exam End: 10:40/{11:07}	Exam End: 09:55/{10:10}	Exam End: 09:45/{09:58}	Exam End: 09:55/{10:10}	Exam End: 10:50/{11:19}
Break					
P3&4	BIOLOGY 1h 20m {1h 40m}	HISTORY 1h 20m {1h 40m}	CHEMISTRY 1h 20m {1h 40m}	PHYSICS 1h 20m {1h 40m}	MEDIA STUDIES 1h 15m {1h 34m}
Exams Start: 11:45 unless otherwise specified	Exam End: 13:05/{13:25}	Exam End: 13:05/{13:25}	Exam End: 13:05/{13:25}	Exam End: 13:05/{13:25}	Exam End: 13:00/{13:19}
	COMBINED SCIENCE 1 45m {57m}	GEOGRAPHY 50m {1h 3m}	COMBINED SCIENCE 2 45m {57m}	COMBINED SCIENCE 3 45m {57m}	RELIGIOUS STUDIES 50m {1h 3m}
	Exam End: 12:30/{12:42}	Exam End: 12:35/{12:48}	Exam End: 12:30/{12:42}	Exam End: 12:30/{12:42}	Exam End: 12:35/{12:48}

An Early Introduction to Post-16 Pathways

After completing their GCSE studies, students will move on to their Post-16 education. By law, all students must be in a form of education or training until they are 18 years old. Below is just a brief introduction to some of the options available, and what they involve.

Post-16 – Students can attend Stoke Park Post-16, or another centre. They will study A Levels, although some alternative pathways may also be on offer. Students will remain in a school environment, and will engage in other external opportunities during free periods.

College – Students can study a wide array of subjects, ranging from A Levels through to more practical, hands-on subjects.

Apprenticeships – Students can apply to complete an Apprenticeship with a company, or with an educational institute. Students will work for 80% of the time, and study in an educational setting for the remaining 20% of the time.

T-Levels – Similar to an apprenticeship, except students spend 80% of their time studying in an educational setting, and 20% of their time completing practical work.