



Year 10 Parental Information Evening

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## Introduction

Dear Parent,

Many of you will be aware of the many significant changes that have been made to the GCSE examinations in recent times. The most visible of these changes is the introduction of the new 9 – 1 grading (i.e. replacing A\* - G grades).

The table below allows you to make comparisons between the old and new grades.

New grading structure	Current grading structure
9	A*
8	
7	A
6	B
5	
4	C
3	D
2	
1	E
	F
	G
U	U

***It has been made clear from the outset that the new syllabi and examinations are much more demanding in terms of challenge.*** There is also much more focus on the importance of the final examination(s) i.e. the removal or reduced significance of Controlled Assessments. More recently, conversations have indicated that a grade 5 (which is now described as a “strong pass”) is the new C grade equivalent. Hence it is now important that teachers and pupils work closely with parents to ensure that they achieve all that they can in terms of examination success.

This booklet has been produced to provide parents with useful information in terms of e mail communications, useful websites and summaries of how each subject is assessed. As ever we are here to ensure that you son/daughter achieves all that they can. Please do not hesitate in contacting us to ask questions or discuss concerns. **This is what we’re here for!**

Regards,

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Vice Principal

## English

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Exam Board	AQA
Course title and Spec no.	English Literature 8702 English Language 8700
Assessment (How is your course assessed?) Exams (including %)	100% exam Four papers – Two for Literature (1 x 1hr 45 mins & 1 x 2hrs 15mins) Two for Language (2 x 1hr 45mins)
Useful revision books	<b>CGP Revision Guides:</b> An Inspector Calls A Christmas Carol Poetry – Conflict & Power, Love & Relationships – Available through Amazon or through the Academy itself.
Useful websites	<a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/education">http://www.bbc.co.uk/education</a> <a href="http://www.youtube.com/MrBruff">www.youtube.com/MrBruff</a>

## Maths

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Exam Board	Edexcel
Course title and Spec no.	GCSE Mathematics
Assessment	3 x 1hr 30mins examinations – equal % value  1 x Non Calc 2 x Calc
Useful revision books	Edexcel Revision guides and workbooks. Available for both Foundation and Higher tiers at a price of £4 each( available from front office)
Useful websites	Subscription sites mathswatch Method maths MyMaths  Other sites Corbettmaths

## Science

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Exam Board	AQA
Course title and Spec no.	Combined Science Trilogy specification (Grade 9-1)
Assessment	Pupils will sit 6 examinations at the end of Year 11. Exams papers include: Biology 1 and 2 Chemistry 1 and 2 Physics 1 and 2. Each paper is 75 minutes long, with a total possible mark of 70 per paper. There is no coursework element.
Useful revision books	CGP Combined Science For AQA (Grade 9-1) revision guide. There is a workbook that can be purchased from the academy to accompany the revision guide.
Useful websites	<a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/education">www.bbc.co.uk/education</a> <a href="http://www.mygcscience.co.uk">www.mygcscience.co.uk</a>

## Citizenship

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Exam Board	AQA
Course title and Spec no.	Citizenship 8100
Assessment	2 exams Paper 1: Active citizenship (Controlled assessment is assessed in this section), Politics and participation - 50% Paper 2: Life in modern Britain, Rights and responsibilities - 50%
Useful revision books	Not available until Feb 2018 via AQA AQA textbook
Useful websites	GCSE bitesize <a href="http://www.parliament.uk/education/">http://www.parliament.uk/education/</a>

## Geography

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Exam Board	AQA
Course title and Spec no.	GCSE Geography (8035)
Assessment	Three examinations: Paper 1: Living with the Physical Environment 35% Paper 2: Challenges in the Human Environment 35% Paper 3: Geographical applications 30%
Useful revision books	AQA GCSE Geography 9-1 Revision guide AQA GCSE Geography 9-1 Exam Practice Workbook
Useful websites	Please see the Eastwood Academy topic specific homework booklets provided.



## History

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Exam Board	Edexcel
Course title and Spec no.	GCSE History (1HI0)
Assessment ( <a href="#">How is your course assessed?</a> ) Controlled assessments? Exams (including %)	3 examinations, no controlled assessment. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Medicine in Britain and the British sector of the Western Front (30%)</li> <li>2. The American West and Elizabeth I (40%)</li> <li>3. The USA 1954-75: conflict at home and abroad (30%)</li> </ol>
Useful revision books	Pearson have produced revision guides for each unit. These can be purchased privately or via the academy.
Useful websites	GCSE Bitesize

## French

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Exam Board	Edexcel
Course title and Spec no.	GCSE French 1FR0
Assessment	End of Course exams Listening 25% Speaking 25% Reading 25% Writing 25%
Useful revision books	Edexcel 9-1 French Revision Workbook Edexcel French Grammar and Translation Workbook Mary Glasgow subscription magazines
Useful websites	<a href="http://www.memrise.com">www.memrise.com</a> <a href="http://www.duolingo.com">www.duolingo.com</a>

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Exam Board	Edexcel
Course title and Spec no.	GCSE Spanish 1Sp0
Assessment	End of course exams Listening 25% Speaking 25% Reading 25% Writing 25%
Useful revision books	Edexcel Spanish 9-1 Revision workbook Edexcel Spanish Grammar and Translation Workbook Mary Glasgow magazine subscriptions
Useful websites	<a href="http://www.memrise.com">www.memrise.com</a> <a href="http://www.duolingo.com">www.duolingo.com</a>

## Business

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Exam Board	Edexcel
Course title and Spec no.	GCSE Business IBS0
Assessment (How is your course assessed?) Controlled assessments? Exams (including %)	Theme 1: Investigating small business (*Paper code: IBS0/01) <i>Written examination: 1 hour and 30 minutes</i> <i>50% of the qualification</i> <i>90 marks</i>  Theme 2: Building a business (Paper code: IBS0/02) <i>Written examination: 1 hour and 30 minutes</i> <i>50% of the qualification</i> <i>90 marks</i>
Useful revision books	<i>Currently being created by Pearsons.</i> <i>We will inform you once these are available</i>
Useful websites	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="http://www.businessed.co.uk">www.businessed.co.uk</a></li> <li>• <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk">www.bbc.co.uk</a></li> <li>• <a href="http://tutor2u.net">tutor2u.net</a></li> </ul>

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Exam Board	Pearson Edexcel
Course title and Spec no.	Level 2 Certificate in Digital Applications 600/6627/1
Assessment	Two units of work. Mandatory unit timed examination – Developing web products - 25% 2hrs 30 mins  Optional unit, Controlled Assessment – 75%
Useful revision books	Burden K, Kuechel T and Smith A - Edexcel DiDA Multimedia. ISBN: 9781846901102
Useful websites	<a href="http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/digital-applications-cida-dida/cida-2012.html">http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/digital-applications-cida-dida/cida-2012.html</a>

## Statistics

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Exam Board	Edexcel
Course title and Spec no.	GCSE (9-1) Statistics (1STO)
Assessment	2 equally weighted 1hr30min papers
Useful revision books	Edexcel ResultsPlus Revision Statistics (Foundation and Higher) incl. interactive CD These can be purchased via the academy
Useful websites	MyMaths and mathswatch

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Exam Board	Edexcel
Course title and Spec no.	GCSE Design Technology
Assessment (How is your course assessed?) Controlled assessments? Exams (including %)	Written Examination (1DT0/1A,1B,1C,1D,1E,1F) Worth 50% of Qualification (100 marks) Length 1 hour 45 minutes  Non Examined Assessment (1DT0/02) Worth 50% of Qualification (100 marks) Single Project title released 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2018 will have 9 months to complete their single project
Useful revision books	Pearson Design & Technology Revision & Practice Book Pearson Mathematics Revision Book
Useful websites	<a href="http://www.howstuffworks.com/">http://www.howstuffworks.com/</a> <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/design/">http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/design/</a> Edexcel.co.uk

## Art

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Exam Board	AQA
Course title and Spec no.	Fine Art
Assessment ( <a href="#">How is your course assessed?</a> ) Controlled assessments? Exams (including %)	60% Controlled Assessment Coursework. 40% Exam Project.
Useful revision books	
Useful websites	<a href="http://www.studentartguide.com">www.studentartguide.com</a>



## Food Preparation and Nutrition

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Exam Board	AQA
Course title and Spec no.	Food Preparation and Nutrition 8585
Assessment ( <i>How is your course assessed?</i> ) Controlled assessments? Exams (including %)	50% Written Examination 50% NEA (Non Exam Assessment)
Useful revision books	AQA Food Preparation and Nutrition (my revision notes) – Hodder Education ISBN 978-1-4718-8699-7  AQA GCSE Revision Food Preparation and Nutrition – Collins ISBN 978-0-00-816634-2
Useful websites	EBook for the full textbook <a href="http://www.illuminate.digital/aqafood/">http://www.illuminate.digital/aqafood/</a> Username : SEASTWOOD3 Password : STUDENT3

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Exam Board	Edexcel
Course title and Spec no.	Physical Education Paper 1                           1PE0/01 Paper 2                           1PE0/02 Practical performance       1PE0/03 PEP                                 1PE0/04
Assessment	Paper 1 = 36% Paper 2 = 24% Practical = 30% PEP (controlled assessment) = 10%
Useful revision books	Revise Edexcel GCSEPE (9-1) revision workbook Revise Edexcel GCSE PE (9-1)revision Guide
Useful websites	<a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/education/examspecs/zxbg39g">https://www.bbc.co.uk/education/examspecs/zxbg39g</a> <a href="http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/physical-education-2016.html">http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/physical-education-2016.html</a>

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Exam Board	OCR
Course title and Spec no.	OCR GCSE Drama 9-1 J316
Assessment	<p>Devising drama (60 marks) Non-exam assessment 30% of total GCSE</p> <p>Presenting and performing texts* (60 marks) Non-exam assessment (Visiting moderator performance examination) 30% of total GCSE</p> <p>Drama: Performance and response*80 marks Exam assessment 1 hour 30 minutes (Written paper) 40% of total GCSE</p>
Useful revision books	<p>Theatre in Practice: A Student's Handbook by Nick O' Brien &amp; Annie Sutton.</p> <p>Stanislawski in Practice: Exercises for Students By Nick O'Brien</p> <p>The complete Brecht Toolkit by Stephen Unwin</p>
Useful websites	BBC Bite size (Drama): <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/education">http://www.bbc.co.uk/education</a>

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Exam Board	Edexcel
Course title and Spec no.	GCSE Music (9-1) 1MU0
Assessment	Exam (40%) – listening & appraising Controlled Assessment: Performing (30%) – 1 solo, 1 ensemble Composing (30%) – 1 free, 1 to a brief
Useful revision books	CGP - New GCSE Music Edexcel Complete Revision & Practice (with Audio CD) - for the Grade 9-1 Course  Rhinegold Edexcel GCSE Music Revision Guide
Useful websites	<a href="http://goo.gl/WjjAVz">goo.gl/WjjAVz</a> <i>(online resources provided by the music department)</i>

## Computer Science

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Course title and Spec no.	Computer Science - 8520
Assessment	2 x examinations  Paper 1 = 40% Computational thinking and problem solving  Paper 2 = 40% Written assessment of theory  Controlled assessment = 20% Programming task
Useful revision books	Electronic revision guides provided by academy
Useful websites	All supplied by class teacher