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Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

To help prepare Year 10 for their GCSE examinations, they will be sitting a set of mock examinations, which will start on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June. They will have a second opportunity to sit a set of mocks in November in Year 11. To help pupils prepare for these mocks, please see below for a:

Mock timetable

Topic list – to help guide students on which topics they should be revising.

Further support and resources can be obtained from their class teachers. I would also like to use this opportunity to update you on the exam rules and regulations that we will be putting into place for these mock exams and to offer final advice and guidance on how to best prepare for the weeks ahead.

We know the pupils are working hard to ensure that they succeed and want to stress that support with their health and wellbeing is important. Rest breaks during revision are key to maintain a healthy balance and to ensure pupils do not overload their memory. The importance of a healthy breakfast and lunch cannot be understated, and studies have shown that those who eat well do perform at a higher level. Please remember that the school offers free bagels every morning to all students. Sleep is also vital to allow pupils to rest and recharge and it is strongly recommended that technology is not used late into the evening.

We recommend visiting [Home - Kooth](#) if you require any support or advice regarding your child's mental health or wellbeing during this time. Please also inform the school if you require any further support.

### **Mobile Phones and Watches**

The exam regulator states that pupils cannot be in possession of a mobile phone or watch during examinations. Our policy will be as follows:

Pupils can put their phone away in their locker if they have one, or phones can be placed into the pupil's bag which will then be locked in one of the changing rooms. Pupils who are found to have a phone on them during a mock examination will have that paper cancelled, even if the phone has been turned off.

### **Equipment**

To help the exams run smoothly, pupils should have all of their own equipment for all exams. Having their own equipment will ensure that pupils are able to concentrate fully on the exam and maximise their time. Pupils with missing equipment cause a disruption to the start of the exams, which is unfair on the remaining students.

- black pens
- pencils
- eraser
- 30cm clear ruler
- scientific calculator
- protractor
- highlighter (optional)
- Pencil cases must be clear plastic

Headteacher: Mr Neil Jones



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### **Drinks**

Drinks must be in clear plastic bottles that do not have a label.

### **Punctuality**

It is vital that pupils arrive on time for their exams. Year 10 pupils will be registered at 8:45 in their form rooms every day, where they will be given key messages and information for the day ahead. Arrival after the start of an exam can put participation in jeopardy and causes disturbances to those pupils who have already started.

### **Exams finishing after 15:00**

We aim to start all afternoon exams as close to 13:20 as possible. Some exams though will potentially run past 15:15, especially if a pupil has extra time. Pupils should check their exam timetable carefully to see if they will need to stay past 15:15 on any days. Some dates to be mindful of are:

- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Biology – Separate Science students with extra time
- Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June – Chemistry – Separate Science students with extra time
- Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Physics - Separate Science students with extra time

### **Illness**

As per the GCSEs in the summer, pupils should attempt to sit all mock examinations at the scheduled time, even if they aren't feeling their best. If your child isn't well enough to attend school, please inform the office as soon as possible.

We look forward to seeing the pupils perform to a high level in their mock exams and thank you for your continued support.

If you have any queries, please contact me on [d.chesterman@nsg.kevibham.org](mailto:d.chesterman@nsg.kevibham.org) or 0121 464 8346

Yours faithfully

David Chesterman  
Deputy Head Attainment and Standards

## **YEAR 10 June mocks**

<b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June – Week 2</b>	<b>Form</b>	<b>Periods 1 and 2</b>	<b>Period 3</b>	<b>Periods 4 and 5</b>
	<b>As Normal</b>	Normal lessons	Normal lessons	<b>English literature -90 minutes</b> <b>Extra time – 113 minutes</b>
<b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June – Week 2</b>	<b>Form</b>	<b>Periods 1 and 2</b>	<b>Period 3</b>	<b>Periods 4b and 5</b>
	<b>As normal</b>	Graphics mocks or normal lessons	Graphics mocks or normal lessons	Graphics mocks or normal lessons
<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> – Week 2</b>	<b>Form</b>	<b>Periods 1 and 2</b>	<b>Period 3</b>	<b>Periods 4 and 5</b>
	<b>As normal</b>	<b>Maths paper 1 – Non calculator (90 minutes)</b> <b>Extra time 113 minutes</b>	Normal lessons	<b>Biology (1 hour 45 minutes)</b> <b>Double Science Biology (1 hour 15 minutes)</b> <b>Triple extra time – 131 minutes</b> <b>Double extra time – 94 minutes</b>  Double science students will have 30 minutes revision time in the exam hall after the Biology exam has started.
<b>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June – Week 2</b>	<b>Form</b>	<b>Period 1 and 2</b>	<b>Period 3</b>	<b>Periods 4 and 5</b>
	<b>As normal</b>	<b>English language (1 hr 45 minutes)</b> <b>Extra time – 131 minutes</b>	Normal lessons	<b>Chemistry (1 hour 45 minutes)</b> <b>Double Science Chemistry (1 hour 15 minutes)</b> <b>Triple extra time – 131 minutes</b> <b>Double extra time – 94 minutes</b>  Double science students will have 30 minutes revision time in the exam hall after the Chemistry exam has started.
<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June – Week 2</b>	<b>Form</b>	<b>Periods 1 and 2</b>	<b>Period 3</b>	<b>Periods 4 and 5</b>
	<b>As normal</b>	Art exam all day or Normal lessons	Art exam all day or Normal lessons	Art exam all day or Normal lessons
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June – Week 1</b>	<b>Form</b>	<b>Period 1 and 2</b>	<b>Period 3</b>	<b>Periods 4b and 5</b>
	<b>As normal</b>	<b>Maths paper 2 – Calculator (90 minutes)</b> <b>Extra time – 113 minutes</b>	Normal lessons	<b>History – 1 hour 20 mins – 81 students</b> <b>Extra time 1 hour 40 minutes</b>

				65 pupils who don't study history to have Independent revision P4 Physics revision P5
<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June – Week 1</b>	<b>Form</b>	<b>Periods 1 and 2</b>	<b>Period 3</b>	<b>Periods 4 and 5</b>
	<b>As normal</b>	Period 1 only – <b>French listening</b>  Non-French students to have independent revision  Period 2 – normal lessons	Normal lessons period 2 and 3	<b>Period 4 only French Reading:</b> <b>Period 5 normal lessons</b>  <b>French – 73 students</b> <b>Reading Foundation – 45 mins</b> <b>Extra time – 56 minutes</b> <b>Reading Higher – 60 mins</b> <b>Extra time – 75 minutes</b>  73 pupils who don't study French to have Maths revision P4
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Week 1</b>	<b>Form</b>	<b>Periods 1 and 2</b>	<b>Period 3</b>	<b>Periods 4 and 5</b>
	<b>As normal</b>	Normal lessons	Normal lessons	<b>Physics (1 hour 45 minutes)</b> <b>Double Science Physics (1 hour 15 minutes)</b> <b>Triple extra time – 131 minutes</b> <b>Double extra time – 94 minutes</b>  Double science students will have 30 minutes revision time in the exam hall after the Physics exam has started.
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June – Week 1</b>	<b>Form</b>	<b>Periods 1 and 2</b>	<b>Period 3</b>	<b>Periods 4 and 5</b>
		<b>Geography – 90 minutes – 74 students</b> <b>Extra time – 113 minutes</b>  72 pupils who don't study Geography to have: Independent revision P1 Maths revision P2	normal lessons	<b>Maths paper 3 - Calculator (90 minutes)</b> <b>Extra time – 113 minutes</b>

<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June – Week 1</b>	<b>Form</b>	<b>Periods 1 and 2</b>	<b>Period 3</b>	<b>Periods 4 and 5</b>
		<b>Options exam 1* – 81 students</b> RE – 90 minutes Food – 90 Minutes Computing – 90 minutes Music – 60 minutes – Rm 14 <b>Extra time 113 minutes</b>  64 pupils who don't study the above subjects to have time to work on coursework	Normal lessons	<b>Options exam 2* – 19 students</b> RE – 90 minutes Food – 90 Minutes Computing – 90 minutes Music – 60 minutes – Rm 14 <b>Extra time 113 minutes</b>  All other students to have normal lessons
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Week 2</b>	<b>Form</b>	<b>Periods 1 and 2</b>	<b>Period 3</b>	<b>Periods 4 and 5</b>
	<b>As normal</b>	Textile exam or normal lessons	Textile exam or normal lessons	Textile exam or normal lessons

\* Pupils will be told which option subject exam they have via their form tutor.

Textiles mock – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June

Graphics mock – Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June

Art mock – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June

Speaking and writing mocks for French will be arranged within lesson time



# Year 10 June Mock Topics



Subject	Number of mock exams	Topics to revise
Maths	3 – Each 1 hour 30 minutes long	Paper 1: Non-calculator Paper 2: Calculator Paper 3: Calculator (A topic list for each paper will be distributed in class and put on ePraise)
English literature	1 – 90 minutes	Paper 2 (Poetry - Sections B & C). <b>Section B</b> - A comparison question (one named poem and one student choice) of 5 Power & Conflict Anthology poems taught last term. Poems to revise: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bayonet Charge</li><li>• The Charge of the Light Brigade</li><li>• Ozymandias</li><li>• London</li><li>• My Last Duchess</li></ul> <b>Section C</b> - Unseen poetry (Two questions: One analysis, one comparison)
English language	1 – 105 minutes	Paper 2: 'Viewpoints and perspectives' Non-fiction viewpoint writing <b>1 hour 45 minutes.</b> <b>Section A</b> - Reading two unseen, non-fiction texts on a linked topic. Answering four reading questions, covering these skills: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Retrieval and inference</li><li>• Summary</li><li>• Language analysis</li><li>• Comparison of viewpoints</li></ul> <b>Section B</b> - One non-fiction viewpoint writing task (Article, speech OR letter).
Biology	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cell biology</li><li>• Organisation</li><li>• Infection and response</li><li>• Bioenergetics</li></ul>



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Chemistry	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Atomic structure and periodic table</li><li>• Bonding, structure and the property of matter</li><li>• Quantitative chemistry</li><li>• Chemical changes</li><li>• Energy changes</li></ul>
Physics	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Energy</li><li>• Electricity</li><li>• Domestic electricity</li><li>• Static (Triple only)</li><li>• Particle model of matter</li><li>• Atomic structure</li></ul>
Combined Science	3	As above
RE	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Christianity: beliefs and teachings</li><li>• Christianity: Practices</li><li>• Islam: beliefs and teaching</li></ul>
Art – 13 <sup>th</sup> June	1	Further information and support will be provided within lessons.
Food	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Food Commodities – protein, fats</li><li>• Food Science</li><li>• Factors influencing food choice</li><li>• Nutritional and dietary needs of different groups of people &amp; selecting recipes</li><li>• The relationship between diet and health</li><li>• Food allergies and intolerances</li><li>• Food Safety</li><li>• Energy balance</li><li>• Macronutrients</li><li>• Food processing and production</li><li>• Factors influencing food choice</li></ul>
Computing	1	1.1 Systems architecture / CPU 1.2 Memory and Storage 1.3 Wired and wireless networks, connections and protocols 1.4 Network/system security 1.5 Systems software 1.6 Ethical, legal, cultural and environmental concerns



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French	3 – Reading, writing and listening	Module 1: Family, Friends, Role Models, Relationships, Going out with Friends  Module 2: Leisure Activities, Hobbies, Technology, TV, Music Module 3: Festivals  Module 3: My Town
Graphics	1	Component 1 final make. (information will be provided in lessons)
Geography	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Natural Hazards (everything in their yellow books)</li><li>• Living World (everything in their green books)</li><li>• Coasts (from their blue books)</li></ul>
History	1	Paper 1 Medicine Through Time  Topics:  Medicine in the Trenches Medieval Medicine Renaissance Medicine Industrial Medicine (1700-1900) Medicine 1900-now  All themes should be revised  Ideas about the causes of disease Prevention of Disease (including Public Health) Treatment of disease Care (including hospitals and medics)
Music	1	Conventions of Pop – Rock n Roll, Rock Anthems, Ballads & Solo Artists 90's +  Concerto Through Time – Baroque Concerto, Classical & Romantic  Music Theory – Key signatures from C Major up to two flats and two sharps.





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Textiles – tbc	1	Further information and support will be provided within lessons. However ALL area to revise... Fibres to fabrics Polymers Metals Papers and boards Mechanisms Timbers Electronics Gears Use a5 book
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