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YEAR 11 SCENE SETTING 2015-16

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We asked our Heads of Department to provide information about the stage that Year 11 students should currently be working at; their feedback is collated in the table below.

We hope parents find this information useful in supporting their children through this important year.

What should I be working on now?

Subject	Information
ENGLISH	<p>All students will be studying for their English GCSE in Year 11 (Cambridge IGCSE).</p> <p><u>COURSEWORK (40% OF GRADE):</u></p> <p>Students will submit a portfolio of 3 assignments (each of 500-800 words). Pupils are expected to re-draft their work regularly and are allowed to bring their drafts home.</p> <p><u>Assignment 3 (analyse and evaluate):</u></p> <p>Deadline 2/11/15</p> <p><u>Assignment 2 (describe and /or narrate):</u> Deadline 4/1/16</p> <p><u>Assignment 1 (inform, analyse and/or argue):</u> Deadline 23/2/16</p> <p><u>SPEAKING AND LISTENING TEST (20% OF GRADE):</u></p> <p>This will take place in March 2016. Students must talk for 3-4 minutes on a topic selected prior to the test. This will then lead into a 6-7 minute conversation with the examiner about the chosen topic.</p> <p><u>EXAM: EXTENDED (40% OF GRADE):</u></p> <p>This is a 2hr paper. Students will be given 3 questions on 2 passages. Students will be assessed on their reading and writing skills. In preparation for this students will study exemplar papers and have a sequence of practise exams.</p>

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<p>MATHS</p>	<p>There are two tiers of entry for Maths. Students will be entered for either Foundation tier (grades G-C) or Higher tier (grades C-A*) in order to give them the opportunity to gain the best possible grade.</p> <p>For each tier of entry the exam consists of two papers, one calculator paper and one non-calculator paper. These exams will be sat at the end of year 11. There is no coursework element to the Maths GCSE, it is purely exam based.</p> <p>All students will have one piece of homework each week, in addition to general exam revision. We strongly recommend the website http://www.mymaths.co.uk login: trinityhigh & password: fractions</p> <p>Y11 students are encouraged to supplement their learning using Mathswatch online, which contains interactive lessons and exercises. This is an excellent resource for consolidating topics covered during lessons. Log in details are available from Maths teachers.</p>
<p>APPLIED BUSINESS</p>	<p>All students are working towards completing the controlled assessment (60% GCSE grade) by December. There will be targeted support throughout the spring term, after school, to help students achieve their targeted grade.</p> <p>In lessons pupils are working on developing the knowledge and skills they will need for the external examination (40% GCSE grade). Students should be revising for the class tests leading up to the mock examination in December.</p> <p>Revision books are available from the Business Studies teachers at a cost of £3.</p>

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<p>ART</p>	<p>Students have completed 2 coursework assignments. Both are being submitted for their GCSE. Students with outstanding work from Year 10 were to complete this over the summer holiday. In addition to this, students are expected to complete most sketchbook work at home and by now should have completed at least 12 pages for each assignment. Students who still have outstanding coursework have been informed that they must attend Art each lunch time until their work is complete. If this fails to happen, parents will be informed.</p> <p>The new assignment is on the theme of '<i>Figure and Anatomy</i>', and is currently being introduced to each class. At home, students should be working on their '<i>Figure and Anatomy</i>' sketchbook and improving pieces of older coursework if they are trying to improve their grade.</p> <p>Students will begin their art exam in March. All coursework should be completed by then. Students have access to the Art Department and additional help at lunch times.</p>
<p>CHILD PLAY, LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT</p>	<p>Students studying on this course will have completed two units in year 10 and now have one unit remaining which they are working on at the moment. Unit 1- Patterns of child development is a core unit and this unit is externally assessed, Unit 2- promoting children's learning and development through play is also a core unit which consists of three learning aims and this unit is internally assessed through coursework. And finally Unit 3- Principles of early years practice which is the final core unit and is also internally assessed. This Unit consists of 4 learning aims and students in year 11 are currently working on this.</p>

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<p>COMPUTING</p>	<p>Students completed the Practical Programming controlled assessment in Year 10 (30% GCSE grade). There will be some targeted support this term, after school, to help pupils achieve their targeted grade.</p> <p>In lessons up to Christmas, students will be working on the Practical Investigation controlled assessment (30% GCSE grade).</p> <p>After the Christmas break pupils will be working on developing the knowledge and skills they will need for the external examination (40% GCSE grade).</p> <p>All pupils have been given a revision plan for homework, they have revision notes to complete and practice examination questions to complete every week; this will continue throughout the year.</p>
<p>DESIGN TECHNOLOGY</p> <p>Electronics Graphics Product Design Textiles</p>	<p>Throughout September all students will continue to complete sections of their Controlled Assessment tasks. These tasks started in Year 10 and consist of a design folder and a manufactured prototype. All of these tasks will be carried out during lessons, with some completion work being set as homework.</p> <p>Planning ahead for the next Controlled Assessment task will also be set as homework, in order to use class time effectively.</p> <p>In November, students will prepare for their Mock Examination. They will be given preparation materials to take home so that they can revise the relevant topics, which will appear in the examination paper.</p> <p>The different disciplines in Design Technology have their own independent deadlines for tasks, but all students must have completed their folder and practical work by the Easter holiday. This will</p>

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<p>Electronics Graphics Product Design Textiles <i>(cont'd)</i></p> <p>Home Economics: Food & Nutrition</p>	<p>give them time to prepare thoroughly for the final exam in June 2015.</p> <p>Please look closely below at the breakdown of how marks are awarded for GCSE Design Technology:</p> <p>60% Controlled Assessment (a design folder and a manufactured prototype) 40% Terminal Examination of 2 hours length.</p> <p>There are 2 controlled assessments for food. The first took place during Year 10 and is worth 20% of the total GCSE grade. The Year 11 controlled assessment started in September and takes 20 hours to complete. In December the pupils take part in a food exam practical. The dates this year coincide with the mock exams. The total mark for the second controlled assessment is 40%.</p> <p>Please note that 1/3 of all Controlled Assessment work is practical work and therefore it is essential that pupils are present and bring in the required ingredients.</p>
<p>DRAMA</p>	<p>We are now beginning Unit 2: Preparation, Performance and Production. Students will prepare a group performance. Every session working on this piece will need to be written about in a Production Diary.</p> <p>The final Unit is the Individual Showcase (this is externally assessed) Students need to complete an individual audition performance and write a letter of application produced under controlled conditions.</p>
<p>GEOGRAPHY</p>	<p>Controlled Assessment Information</p> <p>Students have completed the majority of their controlled assessment which accounts for 25% of their final grade. Catch up and improvement sessions are available Monday Week A at</p>

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<p>GEOGRAPHY <i>(cont'd)</i></p>	<p>Lunchtime and after school and Tuesday Week B at Lunchtime and after school. These sessions continue up until the October half term.</p> <p>We then have three more topics to study in preparation for the final two exams in the summer of 2016. Each exam is a written paper and carries 37.5% of the final grade. They last for 90 minutes.</p> <p>Provisional dates for the exams are: Unit 1 – Physical Geography: Tues 24/5/16 pm Unit 2 – Human Geography: Weds 8/6/16 pm</p>
<p>HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE</p>	<p>The BTEC course consists of 4 unit's altogether. These units are unit 1 Human lifespan development which is about development in each life stage and is externally assessed, Unit 2 Values in Health and social care which looks at different care values, Unit 5- Promoting Health and Wellbeing and Unit 6 The impact of nutrition on Health and Wellbeing. Unit 2, 5 and 6 are internally assessed and are all coursework based.</p> <p>Students in year 11 now are currently on Unit 2 and this will be followed by unit 6 which will begin at the end of January.</p>
<p>HISTORY</p>	<p>Pupils are now about to start working on the Controlled Assessment section of the GCSE course (worth 25% of the final grade). After preparation work, pupils will answer the questions under exam conditions in school. It is envisaged that pupils will have completed this by the end of this term. They will then complete a mock exam as part of the school mock exam week in December.</p> <p>After Christmas, students will finish being taught</p>

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HISTORY <i>(cont'd)</i>	<p>the subject content of the course. Revision of the content will then take place during lessons in preparation for the two final exams in the summer (each worth 37.5%) final exams in the summer (each worth 37.5%)</p>
ICT	<p>All students are working towards completing the controlled assessment (60% GCSE grade) by December. There will be targeted support throughout the spring term, after school, to help students achieve their targeted grade.</p> <p>In lessons and for homework pupils are working on developing the knowledge and skills they will need for the external examination (40% GCSE grade). Students should be revising for the class tests leading up to the mock examination in December.</p> <p>Revision books are available from the ICT staff at a cost of £3.</p>
MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES	<p><u>CONTROLLED ASSESSMENTS</u></p> <p>All students have now completed Controlled Assessments in Writing (<i>unit 4, 30% of the final grade</i>) on the topics of 'Myself, my family and my friends,' 'The cinema' and 'Where I live'.</p> <p>This term, the focus will be on the topic of 'Environment'. We will use this topic to complete 2 Controlled Assessments in Speaking (<i>unit 3, 30% of the final grade</i>) by the end of November.</p> <p><u>EXAMINATIONS</u></p> <p>This leaves the rest of Year 11 to cover the 'Work and Education' topic, revise the other topics and develop strategies to be successful with the Listening and Reading examinations in May (French:17/05/16, am, Spanish 20/05/16, am).</p>

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<p>MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES <i>(cont'd)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Listening (<i>unit 1, 20% of the final grade</i>) Foundation Tier, 30 minutes (+ 5 minutes reading time) Higher Tier, 40 minutes (+ 5 minutes reading time) - Reading (<i>unit 2, 20% of the final grade</i>) Foundation Tier, 30 minutes Higher Tier, 50 minutes <p><u>REVISIONS</u></p> <p>All students should be regularly working on 'Vocab Express' and 'Memrise' to improve their vocabulary.</p>
<p>MUSIC</p>	<p>By now students should have completed a composition and should have recorded at least one solo and one ensemble performance. Any outstanding work must be completed as soon as possible in the student's own time. There are opportunities to do extra work at lunchtimes or on Thursday or Friday after school.</p> <p>Students have started their second composition and need to consider the solo and ensemble pieces they will perform at the GCSE Music Recital on Wednesday 9th March 2016. Their next controlled assessment performance will be on 25th September 2015.</p>
<p>MUSIC BTEC LEVEL 2</p>	<p>Extended Certificate in Music</p> <p>By now students have completed Unit 7: Exploring Computer Systems Used By Musicians. They have composed and mastered an original track, and a cover version two musical pieces. They have also completed the exam unit, The Music Industry.</p> <p>They are currently working on Unit 4: Introducing Music Composition. Later this term will start the final unit, Unit 2: Managing a Music Product, due for final completion in April 2016.</p>

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<p>PE</p>	<p>Students will continue to be assessed in different practical activities every half term. Throughout the year 100% practical participation is needed, together with sustained effort, in order to achieve success.</p> <p>Students should also be participating in their chosen sports in or out of school in order to improve their experience. 4 marks are used to make up 60% of the final mark. It should be noted that good practical marks DO NOT guarantee a 'C' grade. The practical exam will be at the end of March – date to be confirmed.</p> <p>Theory Work must be a main focus. Students should attend revision classes and complete all classwork & homework to the best of their ability if they are to have a chance of achieving their potential. It is worth 40% of their final mark. They will also have regular tests on topics covered right up until the final exam. The exam is for 1 1/2 hours.</p> <p>Students will also be required to complete 2 controlled assessments which make up 10% of their final mark:</p> <p>The first one called an Analysis of Performance is to be handed in by the 15th October.</p> <p>The second one – devising a Personal Exercise Programme – is to be handed in by the 29th January 2016.</p>
<p>BTEC SPORT</p>	<p>Pupils have completed 2 out of the 4 units they have to cover to pass the course. This year they will cover 2 units, the first being Unit 1: Fitness which is a unit that is assessed by students sitting an exam on line. They will sit the exam at the end of January. This unit is the most important of the three because they must achieve a Level 2 Pass</p>

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<p>BTEC SPORT <i>(cont'd)</i></p>	<p>in the exam to achieve a Level 2 qualification overall. If they don't they will only be able to achieve a Level 1 qualification. STUDENTS must revise and work hard in this unit to pass the course overall.</p> <p>The second unit is Unit 5 which requires pupils to devise a personalised Exercise Programme and carry that programme out in the departments Fitness Suite.</p>
<p>RE</p>	<p>All students have completed the unit '<i>Religion and Life</i>'. They are currently working on the '<i>Environment and medical issues</i>' topic and, in addition to completing class work, they must know all the key words and meanings relevant to the Unit. All key words needed for the course are printed in the student planner.</p> <p>Students should be regularly revising for the end of Unit tests. Assessment is done on the basis of two terminal examinations. Each examination will last 90 minutes.</p>
<p>SCIENCE</p>	<p>Science after school sessions will take place on Mondays in a variety of locations on the Science corridor. Students should speak directly to their class teachers about any difficulties that they are experiencing.</p>
<p>GCSE SCIENCE</p>	<p>Students who studied GCSE Science whilst in Y10 have completed this course and been awarded a final grade from the examination board.</p>
<p>GCSE ADDITIONAL SCIENCE</p>	<p>Students are beginning this course at the start of Year 11, after completing GCSE Science in Year 10.</p> <p>Students will study 3 Units of work for Biology, 3 for Chemistry and 3 for Physics.</p> <p>There will be three exams during the summer of</p>

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<p>GCSE ADDITIONAL SCIENCE <i>(cont'd)</i></p>	<p>2015. The marks are divided as follows: 75% examinations; 25% controlled assessment. The controlled assessment investigation should be completed by the autumn half term holiday. Students should revise their Chemistry C4, 5 and 6 for the December mock examination.</p>
<p>GCSE TRIPLE SCIENCE (BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY, PHYSICS)</p>	<p>Students are beginning the final units of study, building on the work completed during Year 10. Students will complete one piece of investigative controlled assessment for each subject, spread out over the academic year. Chemistry should be completed by October half term, Physics by Christmas and Biology will be between January and February half term. Students will have two mock examinations for each subject, the Unit 2 papers in the second week of October and the Unit 1 papers in the first week of December. These will inform the projected and estimated grades that are awarded. There will be three examinations for each subject in summer 2016.</p>