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Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Year 11 Revision

With only eight full school weeks before GCSE exams begin, has your son/daughter started their GCSE revision yet? We know that some pupils have been revising for weeks and need support to ensure they plan in social time, whilst others have not yet started.

Your role as parents/carers

You have to make a decision, based on your child, as to how you support them. You may need to help them find ways to relax between revision sessions or you may need to make more demands of them in respect of their revision.

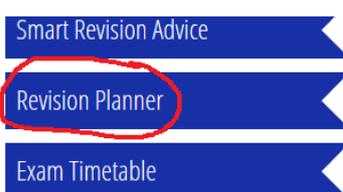
How to help with revision

On Friday 10 March, we did lots of revision work with Year 11 pupils. They all had to complete a revision timetable and enter the subjects and topics for revision. Please check that your child has done this. If they were absent or have not completed their revision planner, all materials are on the school website. This is how to complete the revision planner:

1. Go to the 'Revision Information' section of the school website, which is listed under the 'Curriculum' tab: <http://www.brockington.leics.sch.uk/subject-areas/>
2. From the table on this page, print the 'Personal Learning Checklist' for each subject being studied by your child:

Subject	Personal Learning Checklist	Past Papers	Revision Resources
Computing	Checklist	Pearson Edexcel Papers	Please see your teacher for the college revision guide.
D&T: Food	Checklist	AQA Papers	

3. On each checklist, RAG rate (red, amber, green) or put a tick, question mark or cross against each topic (red or a cross means weak for the topic; green or a tick means solid for the topic and amber means between the two).
4. Click on 'Revision Planner' which is one of the flags at the top right of the revision section:

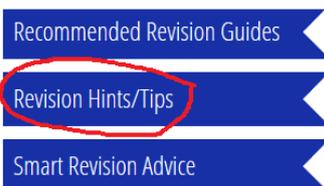


Print off (preferably in colour) one of the three prepared revision timetables (each copy allows for a different amount of revision, according to your child). If you would like to add revision topics to the timetable electronically, please ask your child to access the revision timetable through their school network account for an adaptable version.



5. Add the topics to the revision planner using your RAG rated personal learning checklists, remembering to plan more revision for the topics where knowledge is the weakest.
6. Stick to the completed revision planner as far as possible, but be prepared to adjust it up or down depending on how revision is proceeding.

How to revise



Click on 'Revision Hints/Tips' which is one of the flags at the top right of the revision section

Revision Resources

Pupils have been given a whole range of resources to support their revision. There are further resources and past papers linked within the table on the 'Revision Information' section of the website.

GCSE Exam Timetable



Please download a copy of your child's exam timetable from the 'Revision Information' section of the website and ensure that it is displayed in a prominent position at home.

Need help?

Please contact the school if you need any help or advice on any aspect of revision or support for your son/daughter. You can contact Mrs Dobbins (Head of Year 11), any member of the Senior Leadership Team, any subject teacher or your child's form tutor.

We know that career opportunities are increased by higher GCSE grades and in only a few weeks, pupils will have finished their exams and will be able to enjoy an extended summer holiday. The time to act is now.

Yours sincerely

Mr Chris Southall
Principal