





## **Year 11 Information Evening**

14 January 2025









# Updates

Since our last Parents Information Evening



November Numeracy Results were given out last week. This means that nearly all Year 11 pupils have completed their full Numeracy GCSE and will not sit this again in the summer. They will sit two Maths GCSE exams this summer.

**Mentoring** for many has been running since October. SLT mentoring groups will start after the mock exams.

**1-2-1 Interviews** with senior staff are taking place, planning next steps.

Careers Guidance 1-2-1 Meetings with Miss Downey are nearly complete.



Controlled Assessments in nearly all subject. It is vitally important that your child maximises their marks in every piece of work. Deadlines are strictly adhered to.

'Golden Time' for the rest of the year. This means Year 11 pupils are not allowed to miss lessons for fixtures, visits, etc.

There is **no study leave** for the mocks. Lessons will continue around the mock timetable and will include controlled assessments. In the summer **we do not have study leave until June**.



# Countdown to exams

Spring term 2025

## Spring 1 (7 weeks)

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<b>Week 1</b> 6-10 January	Controlled Assessments continue in lessons including Individual Project in	Revision at home should have begun			
<b>Week 2</b> 13-17 January	WJEC	Year 11 Information Evening			
<b>Week 3</b> 20-24 January	GCSE Science Practical Exams	Year 11 Transition Evening Tuesday 21 January at 5pm Main Hall			
<b>Week 4</b> 27-31 January	Year 11 Mock	<b>Exam Fortnight</b>			
<b>Week 5</b> 3-7 February	Year 11 Mock	<b>Exam Fortnight</b>			
<b>Week 6</b> 10-14 February	Prom Passport launch	Following the mocks, a PPG (professional predicted grade) report will be sent to			
<b>Week 7</b> 17-21 February	Controlled Assessments	all parents. This is followed up with a parents evening directly after half term.			

completion in most subjects.

17-21 February

### Spring 2 (6 weeks)

Week 8 3-7 March

**Week 9** 10-14 March

**Week 10** 17-21 March

**Week 11** 24-28 March

Week 12 31 March - 4 April

**Week 13** 7-11 April

Many practical subjects have early final practical exams which take place in Spring 2.

Exams such as Home Economics practical, PE practical and moderation, Art exams, etc.

It is vital your child is **in school every day**, **every lesson** prior to final exams. In most subjects, guided teaching of topics and exam question practice.

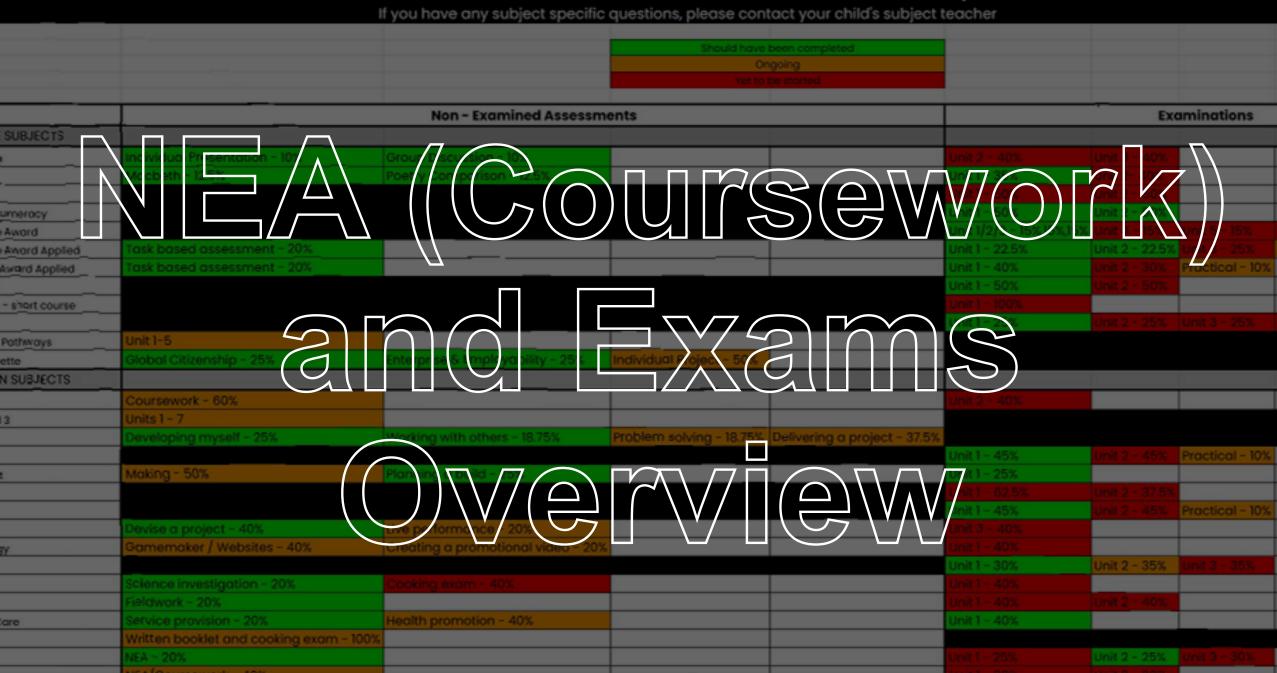
Revision at home supplements learning in school.
It does not replace it.

Year 11 Parents Evening with subject teachers on Tuesday 4 March

After school 'Quiet Study' continue with Champions Hour and after school revision sessions in most subjects.

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Monday	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Lesson 3	Lesson 4	Lesson 5
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	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Lesson 3	Lesson 4	Lesson 5
Tuesday 28/01/25		Mr Chandler Mrs Evans n - Miss Holly	Media - LH (	(1hr 30 mins) (1hr 45 mins)	All in normal lessons
	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Lesson 3	Lesson 4	Lesson 5
Wednesday 29/01/25	I I I / Adici ii	Mr Chandler acey and Mrs Sage		n - LH (1hr 30 mins) y - LH (2hrs)	RVE 11X - LH (30 mins)  11X/Re1 - Mrs Evans  11X/Re2 - Mrs McCullough  11X/Re3 - Mrs Lloyd Davies  11X/Re4 - Mr Turk

### YEAR 11 QUALIFICATIONS OVERVIEW - January 2025





# Revising at home

January through to June

## Curriculum Support example

Subject	Geography		
Coursework/Controlled Assessment Deadlines/Course Information	NEA to be completed and examined in December. All portfolios will need to be completed by this time.		
Exam dates (subject to change)	<ul> <li>Unit 1 Tuesday 13th May (am)</li> <li>Unit 2 Friday 6th June (pm)</li> </ul>		
Suggested Reading	UNIT 1 KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER - LINKED ON THE GOOGLE CLASSROOM  UNIT 2 KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER - LINKED ON THE GOOGLE CLASSROOM		
Revision Resources	<ul> <li>My Revision Notes: WJEC GCSE Geography Second Edition (Available to purchase or on loan from the department)</li> <li>UNIT 1 LANDSCAPES         <ul> <li>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z3xm7p3</li> </ul> </li> <li>UNIT 1 RIVERS         <ul> <li>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z327gdm/revision/1</li> </ul> </li> <li>UNIT 1 COASTAL CHANGE         <ul> <li>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z2rg3k7</li> </ul> </li> <li>UNIT 1 RURAL AND URBAN CHANGE         <ul> <li>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zsjw8mn</li> </ul> </li> <li>UNIT 1 RETAIL CHANGE         <ul> <li>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zwqqk2p/revision/1</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

Subject	Cymraeg		
Coursework/Controlled Assessment Deadlines/Course Information	<ul> <li>Entry Level candidates will complete a range of assessments throughout the year at the end of each topic to assess the skills of speaking, listening, reading and writing. These assessments will be stored to make a portfolio which will be entered to WJEC before the start of the exam season.</li> <li>GCSE Unit 1 pair/group oracy exam resit will take place from March 18-20.</li> <li>GCSE Unit 2 pair/group oracy exam will take place on March 25-27.</li> <li>All of these dates are externally set by the WJEC.</li> </ul>		
Exam dates (subject to change)	<ul> <li>May 22nd GCSE Unit 3 reading and writing exam.</li> <li>June 4th GCSE Unit 4 reading and writing exam.</li> </ul>		
Suggested Reading	<ul> <li>Regular revision of classwork is encouraged. Resources are also on our Google Classrooms. The language mat/mat iaith contains patterns and vocabulary that MUST be learned.</li> </ul>		
Revision Resources	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z8qmhyc https://collins.co.uk/products/9780008326944 https://collins.co.uk/products/9780008227463		

### Revising at home – what should this look like?

Pupils should aim to complete **2 hours revision** each day, **6 days** each week, outside of school hours.

Example of a week	45 mins	45 mins	30 mins
Monday	Maths practice paper	History topic mindmap	Testing self on English quotes
Tuesday	Science practice questions	PE flashcards	Testing self on RE knowledge organiser
Wednesday	Welsh vocabulary test	Business terminology test	PE practice questions
Thursday	History practice using BBC bitesize	RE topic mindmap	Maths practice paper
Friday			
Saturday	English practice paper	Science mindmap	Welsh flash cards
Sunday	Maths YouTube practice papers	Business practice paper	BBC bitesize test Science

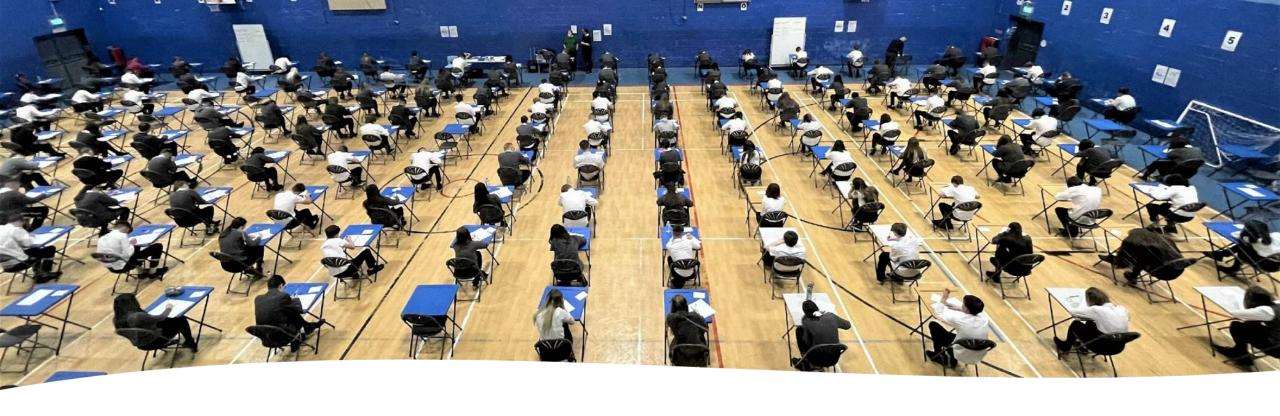
# Wellbeing – academic, emotional, social

In recent years there has been a growing and important emphasis on student well-being.

Wellbeing is having the skills to achieve personal and social goals.

Doing as well as you can academically is vitally important for life satisfaction, positive choices, and life chances and opportunities.





## The final written exams

Summer term 2025

## **Easter holidays**

There is only one week after the Easter break before the final written exams begin.

There will be an Easter revision programme over the holidays.

Please avoid family holidays in the Easter break if possible.





GCSE Written Exams begin on 6 May and run to the end of June. Contingency date is 25 June 2025. This is the last date for exams.

Mrs Lippiett is our Exams Officer and oversees exam arrangements.

Pupils must attend every exam on their exam timetable. Most subjects have two exams per GCSE and pupils must sit both exams.

Results day on Thursday 21 August 2025.



# Wellbeing and support

Pastoral care and guidance





### **Care and Support**

In school we have a broad support network which focuses on wellbeing and monitoring their emotional, social and academic wellbeing. I am your contact for pupils who need support.

#### **Exam Support**

Pupils will face challenges and pressure during Year 11. These are normal feelings. There are several ways in which we offer support to each student to help them manage this.

### **Post 16 Planning Support**

Pupils are also provided with support to help plan for life after Year 11.







## Questions

Please do ask before you leave this evening.

