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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11 Practice Examinations

Year 11 practice examinations will take place from Monday 16 November to Friday 27 November, with the GCSE Art practice examination on Wednesday 2 December. The enclosed timetable and Year 11 Practice Exams and Revision Details document, which includes exam information, key topics and revision resources, are also available on the school website [link](#).

These examinations are an important opportunity for students to experience formal examination conditions, develop effective revision strategies, and receive feedback ahead of the summer GCSE examinations.

Attendance throughout the examination period is essential. Opportunities to rearrange missed examinations are very limited and will only be considered in exceptional circumstances. If you have any concerns with respect to student absence, please contact the school using this [link](#).

How parents/carers can help

- Use the Practice exams and Revision Details document to support regular, planned revision.
- Encourage attendance at [Power Hour](#) sessions and other revision opportunities.
- Support good routines, including a quiet study space, good attendance, punctuality and healthy sleep habits.

Pre-exam support sessions will be available before examinations, led by subject staff. Students with a morning examination should report directly to the Theatre. When they do not have an examination, they should attend lessons as normal.

A variety of revision resources to support preparation for the practice exams and for the exams in the summer can be found in the Year 11 section of the school website [here](#).

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours faithfully

Ms M Brooks
Deputy Headteacher

HPA Year 11 Practice Exam Timetable WC 16 & 23 November 2026



Art exams are to take place on Weds 2 December 2026 - 5 hours

Monday 30th November – Health & Social Controlled Coursework – 2 hours

16/11	P1	Reg.	P2	Break	P3	Lunch	P4	P5
MONDAY	ENGLISH LITERATURE: PAPER 2 2 hours 15 minutes						SCIENCE: TRIPLE: BIOLOGY: PAPER 1 COMBINED SCIENCE: BIOLOGY: PAPER 1 1 hour 45 minutes / 1 hour 15 minutes	
TUESDAY	MATHEMATICS: PAPER 1 (non-calculator) 1 hour 30 minutes						HISTORY: PAPER 1 1 hour 20 minutes	
WEDNESDAY	SCIENCE: TRIPLE: CHEMISTRY: PAPER 1 COMBINED SCIENCE: CHEMISTRY: PAPER 1 1 hour 45 minutes / 1 hour 15 minutes						MATHEMATICS: PAPER 2 (calculator) 1 hour 30 minutes	
THURSDAY	ENGLISH LANGUAGE: PAPER 1 1 hour 45 minutes				MFL LISTENING: FRENCH & SPANISH Foundation & Higher 45 minutes / 60 minutes (incl. 5 mins reading time)		SOCIOLOGY: PAPER 1 (Education, Families & Households, Research Methods) 1 hour 45 minutes	
FRIDAY	MFL WRITING: FRENCH & SPANISH Foundation & Higher 1 hour 15 minutes / 1 hour 20 minutes				PHYSICAL EDUCATION: PAPER 1 SPORTS STUDIES: PAPER 1 1 hour		GEOGRAPHY: PAPER 1 1 hour 30 minutes	

23/11	P1	Reg.	P2	Break	P3	Lunch	P4	P5
MONDAY	SCIENCE: TRIPLE: PAPER 1: PHYSICS COMBINED SCIENCE: PAPER 1: PHYSICS 1 hour 45 minutes / 1 hour 15 minutes				MFL READING: FRENCH & SPANISH Foundation & Higher 45 minutes / 1 hour		BUSINESS 1 hour 45 minutes	
TUESDAY	DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY 2 hours				PHYSICAL EDUCATION: PAPER 2 1 hour		COMPUTER SCIENCE: PAPER 1 1 hour 30 mins	
WEDNESDAY	COMPUTER SCIENCE: PAPER 2 1 hour 30 minutes				GEOGRAPHY PAPER 2/3 (Hybrid Paper) 1 hour		HISTORY: PAPER 3 1 hour 30 minutes	
THURSDAY	MATHEMATICS: PAPER 3 (Calculator) 1 hour 30 minutes				SOCIOLOGY: PAPER 2 (Crime & Deviance, Social Stratification) 1 hour		HOSPITALITY & CATERING FOOD PREPARATION & NUTRITION 1 hour 20 minutes / 1 hour 30 minutes	
FRIDAY	DRAMA 1 hour 45 minutes						MUSIC 1 hour 15 minutes	

Year 11 practice exams assessment and revision details - November 2026



Subjects	Topics to be assessed	Assessment details e.g. length and type of questions	How students should revise
English Literature	Literature Paper 2 - An Inspector Calls - Power and Conflict Poetry - Unseen Poetry	Literature Paper 2 2 hour 15 minutes.	➤ Learn the exam approaches from your pink booklet, attend Power Hour on Tuesday (sessions tailored to support with practice exam prep), speak to teachers for resources, past papers/exposure to exam questions, use knowledge organisers for each text, podcast resources on SharePoint, learn quotations (AIC plus 'CORE' poems)
English Language	Language Paper 1	Language Paper 1 1 hour 45 minutes.	➤ Learn the exam approaches from your blue booklet, attend Power Hour on Tuesday (sessions tailored to support with practice exam prep), speak to teachers for resources, past papers/exposure to exam questions, use subject glossary in blue booklet.
Maths	Three papers (all content assessed) - Paper 1 – non-calculator - Paper 2 – calculator - Paper 3 - calculator	All 3 papers are 1 hour 30 minutes in length.	➤ Students have been given QLAs from last set of mocks. ➤ Students have been given example/suggested revision timetables and topics with resources/hyperlinks in preparation for the mock. ➤ Attend Power Hour on Thursdays.
Combined Science	Paper 1 covering all Biology, Chemistry and Physics Biology: - B1 – Cells - B2 – Organisation - B3 – Infection & Response - B4 – Bioenergetics Chemistry: - C1 – Atomic Structure & The Periodic Table - C2 – Bonding - C3 – Quantitative chemistry - C4 – Chemical Changes - C5 – Energy Changes	3 x 1 hour 15 minutes exams [Bio paper 1, Chem paper 1, Phys paper 1]	➤ Attend Power Hour on Wednesdays, revise for the retrieval quizzes in class, Complete paper 1 homework booklets, complete the half term SPARX challenges

	Physics: • P1 – Energy • P2 – Electricity • P3 – Particle Model • P4 – Atomic Structure		
Physics	Paper 1 • P1 – Energy • P2 – Electricity • P3 – Particle Model • P4 – Atomic Structure	1 x 1hr 45min [Paper 1]	➤ Attend Power Hour on Wednesdays, revise for the retrieval quizzes in class, Complete paper 1 homework booklets, complete the half term SPARX challenges
Biology	Paper 1 • B1 – Cells • B2 – Organisation • B3 – Infection & Response • B4 – Bioenergetics	1 x 1hr 45min [Paper 1]	➤ Attend Power Hour on Wednesdays, revise for the retrieval quizzes in class, Complete paper 1 homework booklets, complete the half term SPARX challenges
Chemistry	Paper 1 • C1 – Atomic Structure & The Periodic Table • C2 – Bonding • C3 – Quantitative chemistry • C4 – Chemical Changes • C5 – Energy Changes	1 x 1hr 45min [Paper 1]	➤ Attend Power Hour on Wednesdays, revise for the retrieval quizzes in class, Complete paper 1 homework booklets, complete the half term SPARX challenges
Geography	AQA Paper 1 during 1 st week of mocks • Tectonic hazards • Climatic/weather hazards • Climate Change • Ecosystems • Rainforests • Deserts • Rivers • Coasts Cont.	Paper 1 is 1 hour 30 minutes and 88 marks and a full Paper 1 Paper 2/3 is 1 hour and 53 marks	➤ Use the Paper 1 and Paper 2 revision guides attached to Arbor ➤ Use the Padlet link below for the guides, past papers and extras https://padlet.com/kellya67/y11-revision-i68217dma4prrr7l ➤ Attend Power hour on Mondays ➤ Complete the minimum of 2 pages of independent revision in your green and red books every week. ➤ MAKE IT MEMORABLE! - Dual coding, colours, images, code words, larger font sizes for key words, highlighting etc ➤ Revise your weaknesses, not just comfort revision of things you already know. ➤ Revise in ways that are outside your comfort zone to add variety.

	AQA Paper 2/3 hybrid – 2nd week of mocks *Paper 2 (30 marks) – Changing economic world topic including: -Global development -Nigeria's changing economy -UK economic change Paper 3 - (23 marks) Just the specific fieldwork questions from the physical fieldwork trip		
History	Edexcel Paper 1 Medicine Through Time 1250-Present. Edexcel Paper 3 Weimar & Nazi Germany.	Paper 1 – 1 hour 20 minutes Paper 3 – 1 hour 30 minutes	➤ Attend Power Hour on Mondays. ➤ Complete revision tasks over half term. ➤ Follow the daily revision timetable which has daily 10-30 min revision tasks leading up to the mock exams. ➤ Use the revision guides available on parentpay. ➤ Use the knowledge booklets.
French	Pearson Spec Paper 2 minus any questions of content we have not yet covered (Studying and my Future).	Listening - F & H 60 mins (including 5 mins reading time) Reading - F 45 mins, H 60 mins Writing - F & H 1hr 15 mins	Listening and reading • Learn the 40 high frequency words on the list (these words often appear in exam texts) Writing Writing questions will be taken from the following topics ... My Neighbourhood (Year 11 topic) • Describing your local area • Pros and cons of where you live (opinions and reasons) • Activities you do in your local area (present, past and future tenses) My Personal Word - Family and Friends (Year 10 topic) • Describing family members / friends • Opinions and reasons of family and friends • Activities with family / friends in the past and future

			Media and Technology – Social Media and Gaming, music, TV and film (year 10 topic) • Your views of social media / films / music / gaming • Technology activities - What you do on your phone / Online (present, past and future) • Media activities – Music / TV programs / films / concerts (present, past and future) Lifestyle and Well-Being – Leisure, Sports, Healthy Lifestyles (year 10/11 topic) • Healthy diets / eating out / healthy / unhealthy activities (present, past and future), Top Revision Tips ... • Practise writing out sentences in present, past and future tenses using the bullet points above • Know key opinion phrases (e.g. j'adore) • Know key conjunctions / connectives (e.g. et, parce que) to help you extend and justify your ideas Practise writing out opinions and reasons for the relevant bullet points in the list
Spanish	Pearson Spec Paper 2 minus any questions of content we have not yet covered (Studying and my Future).	Listening - F & H 60 mins (including 5 mins reading time) Reading - F 45 mins, H 60 mins Writing - F & H 1hr 15 mins	Listening and Reading • Learn the 40 high frequency words on the list (these words often appear in exam texts) Writing Writing questions will be taken from the following topics ... Studies and My Future Plans (Year 11 topic) • School opinions and activities • Recent past tense activities at school • Future plans after school My Personal Word - Family and Friends (Y10 topic) • Describing family members / friends • Opinions and reasons of family and friends • Activities with family / friends in the past and future Media and Technology – social media and gaming, music, TV and film (Year 10 topic) • Your views of social media / films / music / dancing

			• Technology activities - What you do on your phone / Online (present, past and future) • Media activities – Music / TV Programs / films / concerts (present, past and future) Lifestyle and Well-Being – Leisure, Sports, Healthy Lifestyles (Year 10/11 topics) • Healthy diets / eating out / healthy / unhealthy activities (present, past and future), Top Revision Tips ... • Practise writing out sentences in present, past and future tenses using the bullet points above • Know key opinion phrases (e.g. Me encanta) • Know key conjunctions / connectives (e.g. y, también) to help you extend and justify your ideas • Practise writing out opinions and reasons for the relevant bullet points in the list
DT	• Materials and properties • Manufacturing processes • Scales of production • Production aids and quality • Sustainability and environmental impact • Design and developing products • Ergonomics, anthropometrics and inclusive design • Aesthetics, culture and innovation • Mechanisms and systems • Technical drawing • D&T maths and calculations	1 hour 45 Multiple choice, closed, open and extended questions.	Use any of the revision sources below to create revision clocks, mind maps, shrink it post it notes, flash cards: • Subject padlet https://padlet.com/DTfacultyrevision/DTHPA • CGP D&T revision guide

GCSE PE	Paper 1 • Skeleton and muscles • Cardiovascular and respiratory systems • Aerobic / anaerobic exercise • Effects of exercise on the body • Fitness components Principles of training • Prevention of injury • Warm up / cool down Paper 2 • Engagement patterns • Commercialisation • Ethics sportsmanship, gamesmanship, violence, deviance • Characteristics of skilful movement • Classification of skill • Goal setting • Health, fitness and well being • Diet and nutrition • Mental preparation • Guidance and feedback	Both papers 1 hour each Both papers to contain synoptic 6-mark question	➤ Attend Power hour on Mondays ➤ Focus on short key terms / definitions – given out in lesson ➤ Planet PE ➤ Ever learner videos ➤ Practice past exam questions – provided by teacher.
BTEC Sport	Topic 1- User groups, barriers to participation, solutions. PPA Factors that affect participation- REPS/MAPS Topic 2- Sporting Values FENCEIT Olympics- The creed and symbol. The Olympic and Paralympic values. DICE/ REF Reasons for participation in sport, Local, regional and national campaigns in sport. Sportsmanship/ Gamesmanship PEDs- Uses/ prevention WADA	1 hour exam paper	➤ Practice exam questions lesson recaps ➤ Revision PPs sent out ➤ Use of knowledge organisers created in class ➤ Tuesday lunch revision/ catch up ➤ Mr Dolman's one page revision sheet

Computing	OCR Spec Full Paper 1 & 2	1 hour 30 minutes each	➤ Prepare for Algorithm writing questions, write actual code: Variable, Input, Process, Output ➤ As 2 full papers will be provided students will need to revise all content delivered so far in Year 10 and the first half term of Year 11. ➤ Use Programming logs/OneNote/Flash cards. Students have a revision folder and have made revision pledges of focus in their current books
Art	Final piece development (AO1-3) for coursework project	5-hour practical exam	➤ Attend Power Hour and complete work at home to complete all preparatory sketchbook work and further develop skills.
Drama	Full written paper x5 DNA set text questions. Revise: Design Elements (lighting, sound, set, costume, stage furniture and props). Live Theatre Q's on Curious Incident	1 hour 45 minutes – full paper	➤ Timed Questions ➤ 15-minute chunks using class notes and books ➤ Creating flashcards, mind mapping and clocks ➤ Padlet - DNA Revision ➤ Curious incident set in the opening section - Mindmap in GCSE Drama ➤ Revision Packs
Music	• Musical Forms and Devices to include set work: Bach <i>Badinerie</i> • Music for Ensemble • Film Music • Popular Music to include set work: Toto <i>Africa</i>	1 hour 15 minutes	➤ Students are being encouraged to engage with access to targeted resources, past papers, and gain exposure to exam-style questions. ➤ A copy of the revision guide material will go out before the examination period. ➤ Students are also being guided to learn and apply key terms effectively in their written responses.
Business	Paper 1	1 hour 45 minutes	➤ Use revision booklet and PG Book ➤ Content from Revision cycle created in the last few weeks will help
Sociology	Paper 1 – 1hr 45min Education and Families with Research methods Paper 2 – 1hr Crime and Social Stratification	1 hour 45 minutes	➤ Use families homework booklet and last year's exercise book. ➤ Use SENECA to practice questions. ➤ Use this year's exercise book. ➤ Use Tutor2U for topic videos to walk you through topics that you feel unsure on. ➤ Prioritise key terms and key studies

Health & Social	In November, completion of PSA Component 2 for external deadline. Focused time to complete task 5 and any outstanding feedback provided from Miss Gentry for Task 1 - 4	2 hours	➤ Use guidance and notes provided linked to PSA Component 2
Hospitality & Catering	• The hospitality and catering industry • Equipment and functions • Ingredients, nutrition and dietary needs • Food safety and hygiene • Cooking methods and food preparation • Menu planning and recipe development • Customer service and communication • Factors affecting business success • Sustainability and the environment • Health and safety in the workplace • Planning, time management and costing	1 hour 20 Multiple choice, closed, open and extended questions.	Use any of the revision sources below to create revision clocks, mind maps, shrink it post it notes, flash cards: ➤ Subject padlet: https://padlet.com/DTfacultyrevision/HPAhospitalityandcatering ➤ CGP D&T revision guide

Food Prep & Nutrition	• Food nutrition and healthy eating • Food choice • Food preparation and cooking techniques • Food safety and hygiene • Food science • Recipes, planning and time management • Nutritional analysis and calculations • Dietary needs and special diets • Sensory properties and food presentation • Food provenance, sustainability and ethics • Food, culture and cuisine	1 hour 30 Closed, open and extended questions.	➤ Use any of the revision sources below to create revision clocks, mind maps, shrink it post it notes, flash cards: ➤ Subject padlet: https://padlet.com/DTfacultyrevision/FPNHPA ➤ CGP D&T revision guide
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