



Dear Parent/Carer,

Last half term we wrote to you explaining what the students had been learning in each curriculum area. Here are the details for each subject for this half term, more details are available on our school website under the 'Curriculum and Learning' tab.

The table below outlines what is being studied during Half Term 5 in Year 11 in each subject and how students are assessed and given feedback to support their progress.

Subject	Content this half term	Assessments
English language	Revision of key knowledge and skills	GCSE exam Summer 2023
English literature	Revision of key knowledge and skills	GCSE exam Summer 2023
Creative Digital Media Production (BTEC L2)	Responding to a brief- preparing a media product	External assessment
GCSE Computer Science	We have been working on Paper 2 to build up their skills with coding - we are also continuing the regular spelling tests and adding a weekly recap homework on different theory topics.	GCSE exam Summer 2023
Design & Technology	Revisiting previous units of work and then revision prior to the GCSE exam	GCSE exam June 2023
BTEC Tech Award in Digital Information Technologies	Unit 3	OCR Exam Framework for each unit.
GCSE Business	Examination technique Practice questions	Class assessments
Enterprise and Marketing	Completion of RO65 and RO66 coursework	Marking of coursework
Physics	Revision and exam preparation	Exam style questions GCSE exam Summer 2023
Chemistry	Revision and exam preparation	Exam style questions GCSE exam Summer 2023
Biology	Revision and exam preparation	Exam style questions GCSE exam Summer 2023
Combined	Revision and exam preparation	Exam style questions

(Double) science		GCSE exam Summer 2023
Psychology	Revision	GCSE exam Summer 2023
Health and Social Care Level 2 BTEC Tech award	Revision of key topics in English	All assessments are complete
Maths	11Y1, 11X1, 11X3, 11Y3, 11X4, 11Y4, 11X5: Reasoning, Problem Solving, Revision and Exam Technique 11Y2+11X2: Probability, Graphs, Iteration, Reasoning, Problem Solving, Revision and Exam Technique	GCSE exam Summer 2023
French	Revision of topics including social issues, technology and festivals	Exam style questions GCSE exam Summer 2023
German	Revision of topics including social issues, technology and festivals	Exam style questions GCSE exam Summer 2023
Spanish	Revision of topics including social issues, technology and festivals	Exam style questions GCSE exam Summer 2023
Art/craft/design	Examination project work continues facilitated by art staff. Examined time starts Monday 24 April and ends Thursday 27 April. lessons until Monday 15 May is time for students to complete/improve coursework. After Monday 15 May students will have finished the course and will use lessons for revision of subjects of their own choice.	coursework 60% of final GCSE grade & examination project 40% - all work internally marked and externally via an AQA moderator visit to school.
Drama	Revision	GCSE exam Summer 2023
History	Nazi Germany	GCSE exam Summer 2023
Geography	Pre-release data for paper 3	GCSE exam Summer 2023
GCSE RS	Revision	GCSE exam Summer 2023
GCSE PE	Revision	GCSE exam Summer 2023
GCSE Music	Beethoven Set Work	Listening Question and Essay
GCSE Food Studies	Revision	GCSE exam June 2023
Enrichment	Revision plan	N/A

In the coming weeks, you can support your child in a number of ways:

- ★ Check that your child is keeping up with their revision and any homework.
- ★ Use the Google Classroom to check that your child has what they need in their book, you can sit together and go through the lessons to see that they finished the work
- ★ Speak to your child about what they are doing – this could be through asking them what they have done and what knowledge they can remember from the lesson.
- ★ Encourage your child to read for pleasure and ensure they always have their book with them in school for our 5 minutes reading time at the start of every lesson.
- ★ Ensure that they have regular breaks from revision and get a good night's sleep – work in chunks of time, turn off mobile phones and devices at least one hour in advance of going to bed
- ★ Encourage hobbies and interests which are not technology based
- ★ Let children be bored; this is when creativity occurs and reveals their talents

We hope you find this information useful and your child is enjoying learning with us at HCCS.

Kind regards,

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