

Easter School: Monday 8 Apr - Friday 13 Apr							
Session	Information	Mon 8 APR	Tue 9 APR		Thur 11 APR	Fri 12 APR	
1	Subject:	Maths	Drama GCSE	Wednesday 10 APRIL	Business GCSE	Maths	
	Topic/ Focus:	Prep for exam	Gone Too Far! And The Mousetrap		Revision 9 and 12 mark questions	Prep for exam	
	Year Group/ Cohort:	Year 11 and 13 exam cohorts	Year 11		All Year 11 business students welcome	Year 11 and 13 exam cohorts	
	Rooming:	All 4 rooms of Grd Floor South building	Drama Studio		D101	All 4 rooms of Grd Floor South building	
	When - AM/PM/ Both:	Morning Session @ 0930	Morning @ 0930 & Afternoon @ 1150		Morning Session @ 0930	Morning Session @ 0930	
Staff running:	Mr Hassan & Mr Steele Ewer + others	Ms Barson & Ms Eyre	Ms Jenkins		Mr Hassan & Mr Steele Ewer + others		
2	Subject:	Art & Design and Photography	Art & Design and Photography		Music GCSE and Year 13 Music	Music GCSE and Year 13 Music	
	Topic/ Focus:	Catch up and prep for exam	Catch up and prep for exam		Coursework	Coursework	
	Year Group/ Cohort:	Year 11 & 13 students	Year 11 & 13		Year 11 & 13 Classes	Year 11 & 13 Classes	
	Rooming:	Studio 3 & Studio 5	Studio 3 & Studio 5		EG21	EG21	
	When - AM/PM/ Both:	Morning @ 0930 & Afternoon @ 1150	Morning @ 0930 & Afternoon @ 1150		Morning @ 0930 & Afternoon @ 1150	Morning @ 0930 & Afternoon @ 1150	
Staff running:	Ms Rodgers, Mr Moodie & Ms Killingback	Ms Rodgers, Mr Moodie & Ms Killingback	Ms Bell & Mr Hale	Ms Bell & Mr Hale			
3	Subject:	Business GCSE	Design & Technology	Cambridge National Sport			
	Topic/ Focus:	Revision	Finishing NEA	R185 & R186			
	Year Group/ Cohort:	Year 11	Selected year 11 students	11B/Pe1			
	Rooming:	W304	Studio 1 North Building	DT101			
	When - AM/PM/ Both:	11A/Bs1 @ 0930 & 11B/Bs1 @ 1150	Morning @ 0930 & Afternoon @ 1150	Morning @ 0930 & Afternoon @ 1150			
Staff running:	Ms Suzi	Ms Angel & Ms Hearn	Mr Hitchman				
4	Subject:	Design & Technology	Cambridge National Sport				
	Topic/ Focus:	Finishing NEA	R185 & R186				
	Year Group/ Cohort:	Selected year 11 students	11B/Pe1				
	Rooming:	Studio 1 North Building	DT101				
	When - AM/PM/ Both:	Morning @ 0930 & Afternoon @ 1150	Morning @ 0930 & Afternoon @ 1150				
Staff running:	Ms Angel & Ms Hearn	Mr Hitchman					
5	Subject:	Drama A-Level	Cambridge Technical Sport				
	Topic/ Focus:	A-level drama requirements	Unit 1				
	Year Group/ Cohort:	Year 13 students	Year 12 PE class				
	Rooming:	Drama Studio	DT102				
	When - AM/PM/ Both:	Morning @ 0930 & Afternoon @ 1150	Morning @ 0930 & Afternoon @ 1150				
Staff running:	Ms Barson & Ms Eyre	Mr Squires					
		Ms Pau on-site with radio	Dr Hadley on-site with radio			Ms Jenkins on-site with radio	Mr Hassan on-site with radio

10 Tips for Exam Prep!

1. If you haven't already, **PREPARE A REVISION TIMETABLE!**

Plan **manageable spells of revision**, about an hour at a time, with a **5-10 minute break** after each slot. This is the most effective way to learn.

- Ask tutors, Ms Johnson, Ms Jenkins or Dr Hadley for advice with this.
- **Use the Get Revising website** – it produces a timetable for you from your exam dates etc.

2. **Include in your revision timetable:**

- Exam dates, school day, family/other commitments
- Relaxation time (especially before bed)
- Time for “normal” things e.g. Saturday football match - as well as your studies.

Balance is key!

3. **Use phone apps** – GCSEpod, Class Timetable, Exam Countdown, Revision World websites - all useful advice.

4. **Reward yourself** – Build in reward time!

- If you've planned a whole Saturday's worth of revision – **REWARD** yourself with a film/cinema, go to the park/game of sport, meet friends for a couple of hours on Sunday.

5. **STOP AVOIDANCE TACTICS:**

- **Don't spend forever** making your revision timetable look pretty!
- **Don't waste your time making your revision notes look amazing!** You just need to be able to read them - **THEY ARE A TOOL, NOT A WORK OF ART!**

They shouldn't become a revision avoidance technique in themselves!

6. **GET THE RIGHT ENVIRONMENT**

- **Somewhere QUIET and STUDIOUS** - (bedroom/Nan's house/library/school – wherever works)
- **Have a proper WORKSPACE** – desk, equipment etc. – NOT in BED – it's too easy to snooze!
- **Have a COOL room with plenty of AIR** – a warm room makes you tired so open the window! If you start yawning your body is telling you it needs oxygen!

7. **MAKE IT QUALITY TIME**

- **REMOVE DISTRACTIONS** – TV, Radio, new Music – they all reduce your focus and steal your time!
- **TURN OFF your phone** – or at least put it in FLIGHT mode – you can check it when on a break!

Distractions are just a waste of your time.

8. **DO WHAT YOU REALLY NEED TO DO!**

- **Always START with revising the most difficult topics** (for each subject) while you are fresh - **why use your best concentration on the more straightforward stuff/stuff you already know?**

9. **Mix up how you approach revision** – try different techniques:

- Make your own learning **mind maps** – either on paper/use something like iMindMap
- Make **flash cards** - facts on one side, questions on the other! Test yourself. Try apps like Flashcards+
- Make your own **revision notes**, either on paper or cards using one of the many notes apps – **use colour** to highlight key words, equations, rules etc.
- Make electronic or paper **Post-it notes** - key things you keep forgetting and **put them EVERYWHERE** you will see them – on your tablet, PC, mirror, phone, fridge, bedside lamp, light switch, doors etc.
- **Read your revision notes out loud** – you will remember more than reading silently.
- **Practise on past exam papers and revision tests.** There are lots available on the web. Initially, do one section at a time then progress to doing the entire paper against the clock.
- Use **revision guides**.

Note down things you don't understand then ASK your teachers! Never be embarrassed to ask.

10. **Stay in good health:**

- **Eat sensible food** – fruit, vegetables, bananas, slow release carbs (e.g. nuts, grains, cereal bars)
- **WATER!!!!** - **Drink lots of water!** (NOT ENERGY DRINKS – you won't concentrate properly)
- **Exercise** (it also keeps your brain active)
- **SLEEP** - **get enough sleep!**

And finally, good luck! Not that you'll need it as you will have made your own luck!