

12th January 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Year 11 Curriculum – Spring Term

Happy New Year!

I hope this letter finds you safe and well and that you were able to have a restful winter break with your loved ones. I am writing to welcome you and your Year 11 child back to Ashmole Academy for the start of the Spring Term.

As you are aware, Year 11 students completed their Mock Assessments at the end of the Autumn Term and I would like to once again congratulate them on the professionalism and dedication they displayed throughout this assessment period.

Important dates to note:

- **Thursday 1st February Year 11 Parents' Evening**
- **Tuesday 6th February: Year 11 Mentoring Session 2** from **3:40pm–4:40pm**. The mentoring session consists of a 1-1 meeting between students and their mentor, which focuses on their reflections and future actions following their Mock assessments alongside discussing their Post-16 intentions.

I will be writing to you shortly with information on Mock Assessment Grades and your child's predicted grades. You will have the opportunity to discuss your child's progress at Parents' Evening on Thursday 1st February and you will receive your child's final report in Spring Term 2, further outlining your child's progress in advance of their GCSE examinations. Following the completion of their feedback lessons; where students receive Feedback: focused on their current performance and Feedforward: constructive advice on what they need to do to make further progress moving forwards, please find below an outline of what your child will be learning this term.

Subject	Spring 1	Spring 2
Art	Coursework Revisiting coursework Exam Thought web	Exam Initial ideas Developing an idea Responding to artists
Biology	Homeostasis	Revision
Business	Human Resources Feedback from Mock exam	Revision & exam preparation
Chemistry	Using Resources	The Atmosphere

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Computer Science	Revision and Exam Preparation – Mock Feedback, Programming and Theory Topics	Revision and Exam Preparation – Programming and Theory Topics
Drama	Scripted Theatre	Scripted Theatre
English	Mock Feedback and English Language Revision	English Literature Revision
French	Speaking Exam Preparation Revision – Themes 1 & 2	Revision – Theme 3
Geography	Paper 2 Topic 5 The UK's Human Landscape and Dynamic UK City	Revision & Exam Preparation
History	GCSE: PAPER 3 (Germany 1918-1939)	GCSE: REVISION (Paper 2 and Paper 1)
Mathematics (Higher)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Real Life Graphs and Rates of Change Revision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revision GCSE Paper 3
Maths (Foundation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Solving Equations Revision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revision GCSE Paper 3
Music	General revision Completion of composition 2 Recording of GCSE solo performances	General revision Finalisation of both compositions Producing the score / commentary
PE	Practical Performance	Revision
Physics (Y11 Combined)	Revision	Revision
Physics (Y11 Separate)	7. Magnetism and electromagnetism 5.4 Moments, levers and gears 5.5 Pressure and pressure differences in fluids	8. Space Physics Revision
Religious Studies	GCSE -Theme C: Existence of God and Revelation	Revision
Spanish	Speaking Exam Preparation Revision – Theme 1	Revision – Theme 2 & 3
Product Design	POLYMER THEORY NEA Making Production Plan / workshop Diary	Revision NEA Testing and Evaluation
Textiles	CORE THEORY NEA Making Production Plan / workshop Diary	Revision NEA Testing and Evaluation
Food and Nutrition	NEA COURSEWORK DEVELOPMENT MAKING	NEA COURSEWORK MAKING EVALUATION
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The pastoral focus for tutor time this term is Mock Reflection and Preparation for the GCSE examinations, and there will be many opportunities for students to participate in a wide range of extra-curricular activities.

I am delighted that many Year 11 students will be showcasing their talent and having fun in the school show, *Oliver!* There will be three performances on 6th, 7th and 8th February and I encourage everyone to purchase a ticket for what promises to be a very enjoyable evening.

I wish all students and families a positive start to 2024!

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'I Best'.

Ms I Best
Assistant Head Teacher