**Year 10 GCSE Course &**

**Exam Information**

**2018 – 2020**

**Information for Parents**

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| **Code** | **Subject** | **Board** | **Spec No** | **Route codes/ Tier/Grading** |
| Ar | Art and Design | AQA | 8202 | (9-1) |
| Bi | Biology  | AQA | 8461 | F or H (9-1) |
| Bs | Business Studies | AQA | 8132 | (9-1) |
| Ch | Chemistry  | AQA | 8462 | F or H (9-1) |
| Ct | Computer Science | OCR | J276 | (9-1) |
| Da | Dance | AQA | 8236 | (9-1) |
| Dt | Design and Technology with RM focus | Pearson | 1DT0 | (9-1) |
| Dr | Drama | Edexcel | 1DR0 | (9-1) |
| El | English Language | AQA | 8700 | (9-1) |
| En | English Literature | AQA | 8702 | (9-1) |
| Fr | French | AQA | 8658 | F or H (9-1) |
| Ge | Geography B | Edexcel |  1GB0 | (9-1) |
| Gc  | Level 1/2 Award Hospitality & Catering A | Eduqas | 5569QA | L1P L2P-D\* |
| Gn | Design & Technology with Graphics focus | Pearson | 1DT0 | 1B (9-1) |
| Hi | History  | AQA | 8145DA | 1D & 2A (9-1) |
| Hc | Level 2 Award in Child Development & Care | Cache | 600/6644/1 | A\*- D |
| Hf | Food Preparation & Nurtition | Eduqas | C560P1 | (9-1) |
| Ma | Mathematics | OCR | J560 | F or H (9-1) |
| Ma | Further Maths (selected students) | AQA | 8360 | (A\* - E) |
| Ma | Additional Maths (FSMQ) (selected students) | OCR | 6993 | (A\* - E) |
| Mu | Music | Equdas | C660QS | (9-1) |
| Pt | Physical Education  | AQA | 8582 | (9-1) |
| Ph | Physics  | AQA | 8463 | F or H (9-1) |
| Rs | Religious Studies A | Equdas | 4440LA | 4441 & 4447 (9-1) |
| Sc | Science Combined Trilogy | AQA | 8464 | F or H (9-1) |
| Sp | Spanish | AQA | 8698 | F or H (9-1) |

GCSE Subjects Completing 2019/20

Examinations are scheduled as follows:

Year 10 Internal Examinations – April/May 2019

Year 11 Mock Examinations – December 2019

Final GCSE Examinations – May & June 2020

GCSE examinations are administered by the following Examination Boards:

AQA = Assessment Qualifications Alliance

[www.aqa.org.uk](http://www.aqa.org.uk)

Pearson = London Examinations (Edexcel)

[www.qualifications.pearson.com](http://www.qualifications.pearson.com)

# OCR = Oxford and Cambridge Examinations

# [www.ocr.org.uk](http://www.ocr.org.uk)

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 WJEC/Eduqas = Welsh Joint Education Committee [www.wjec.co.uk](http://www.wjec.co.uk)

Information regarding the subject specification can be accessed via these websites.

**Be Prepared – Good practice in the exam room**

**Guidance for Students**

Use your Internal and Mock examinations as practice:

* Know your examination number. This number will be issued in September and should be written in your planner. You will be required to enter this number on your examination paper. You will sit in exam number order for all external examinations and for most internal examinations held in the Sports Hall or Main Hall.
* Bring a clear pencil case or clear plastic bag with all the equipment you need to every examination:
* a BLACK pen (and some spares)
* HB pencils
* Ruler
* Eraser
* Calculator – not just for Mathematics you will find this useful in other subjects such as Science. You will be told clearly at the start of the exam if a calculator is NOT allowed. Leave the cover to calculators in your bags.
* A Protractor and a compass – specifically for Mathematics.
* You are not allowed to use correction fluid in any examination.
* Water is the only drink allowed into an examination. Drinks bottles must be devoid of any labels or writing. Bottles will need to be placed on the floor next to your seat and not on the examination table.
* Once in the examination room you are under exam conditions –
* Mobile phones need to be switched off and left in your bag. Get used to making sure that don’t have your mobile phone on you during any examination. You are not allowed any electronic storage devices (smart watches) on your person during an exam again leave these in your bag or better still at home.
* Talking is not allowed once inside the exam room. If you need something put your hand up and wait for a teacher/invigilator to come to you.
* Avoid communication with other students in the exam room, don’t turn around and smile at your friends or wave across the room as this is seen as communication, face the front at all times.
* Examination conditions remain in place until such time as the exam invigilator advises i.e. until all the exam papers have been collected in, even then you may be expected to leave in silence if there are students still working on a longer examination. Be considerate of other students sitting exams with you and they will do the same for you.

These rules will be implemented in your Year 10 exams in April/May 2019 and the Year 11 Mock examinations in December 2019, failure to comply will mean you will be removed from the exam and this may have an impact on your entry into your final exams in 2020. Get used to bringing the correct equipment too as you should find that this will help when you sit your final examinations in 2020.