



GCSE

WEEK AHEAD

YOUR GUIDE TO EXAM SUCCESS AT YATELEY SCHOOL

APRIL + MAY + JUNE
2025

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Good luck, everyone!

As you open this booklet, take a moment to be proud – not just of what you've achieved so far, but of the effort you've put in to get here.

Exams are important, but they are just one part of your journey. What truly matters is the ambition, curiosity and tenacity you've shown to get to this moment.

No matter what the results say at the end, your effort will always be what we value most.

So keep going, do your best, and know that we are already proud of you.

You've got this!

Best wishes from **ALL OF US** at Yateley School 

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What is GCSE Week Ahead?

The "GCSE Week Ahead" document is a valuable tool to help students effectively navigate the busy period of their GCSE examinations.

Designed as a comprehensive planner, it includes crucial information on upcoming exams, revision classes, study boosters, after-school sessions, study mornings, study leave and key dates.

Here's how students can make the most out of this resource:

How to use GCSE Week Ahead:

#1 Routine: Each week, students should start by reviewing the "GCSE Week Ahead" document. It provides a schedule for the upcoming days, including specific dates and AM/PM for each exam. This overview allows you to prioritise their study time according to the proximity of each exam. Remember though: **nothing is ever a substitute for your own exam timetable** and it is possible that there are slight errors/omissions as this is a complex document to put together!

#2 Revision Classes: The document details when and where revision classes are held. These sessions are crucial for clarifying doubts, understanding complex topics, and reinforcing knowledge. Students should attend these classes as per the schedule to ensure they are well-prepared for their exams. They are listed as either **OPTIONAL** or **COMPULSORY**.

#3 Study Boosters and After-School Sessions: Highlighted sessions in the document indicate additional study opportunities **outside normal school hours**. These include after-school sessions and study mornings designed to give students extra time and support in a structured environment. Making regular use of these sessions can significantly enhance a student's readiness for their exams but there is no expectation that students attend optional sessions.

#4 Preparation and Planning: "GCSE Week Ahead" serves as a planning tool. Students should use it to allocate specific times for self-study and revision at home, balancing their schedule to avoid burnout. Regular breaks and varied subjects during revision times can help maintain focus and interest.

#5 Stay Informed and Ask for Help: If there are **changes** to the schedule or additional sessions added, you will be updated accordingly via email. Please check this regularly!

By using the "GCSE Week Ahead" document as a guide, students can organise their revision more effectively, stay informed about upcoming sessions, and approach their GCSE exams with confidence. Good luck everyone!

Mr Peter Hill



THE GCSE WEEK AHEAD #0

TUESDAY 22 APRIL - FRIDAY 02 MAY 2025 (WEEK B x2)

Just a few exams start us off, with MFL and Art students kicking off the exam season.

From Monday 22 April until Friday 02 May it would be advisable to ensure you have your laptop and revision materials with you for all lessons!

Monday 21 April 2025			
Bank Holiday Monday - School closed			

Tuesday 22 April 2025			Location
All day	COMPULSORY	French speaking exams	MFL
All day	COMPULSORY	Spanish speaking exams	MFL

Wednesday 23 April 2025			Location
All day	COMPULSORY	German speaking exams	MFL
All day	COMPULSORY	Spanish speaking exams	MFL

Thursday 24 April 2025			Location
All day	COMPULSORY	Art Practical Exam	Art rooms

Friday 25 April 2025			Location
All day	COMPULSORY	Art Practical Exam	Art rooms

Monday 28 April 2025 to Friday 02 May 2025			
Lessons run as normal			

Important Information			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You must attend all lessons on your normal timetable after a GCSE exam. If you have finished a subject (i.e. taken your last exam in it) you do need to still attend those lessons until study leave or informed otherwise on GCSE Week Ahead. Make sure you bring revision with you to all subjects, as your teachers will be supporting you to revise and help you get the best grades possible. 			

THE GCSE WEEK AHEAD #1

MONDAY 05 MAY 2025 – FRIDAY 09 MAY 2025 (WEEK A)

Another quiet week this. Take a good look at what is available to support you and decide what you want to attend from anything that is shown as **OPTIONAL**. You must attend anything showing as **COMPULSORY** (if you study that subject!) as it is taking place instead of your normal lessons.

Sessions shown are delivered by your subject teachers. During the morning Breakfast Club sessions you'll have food and drink (supplied by us) and we'll help you to wake that brain up and prepare you with key exam information. And finally, whatever GCSE questions you may still have, please just email peter.hill@yateley.hants.sch.uk (day or night!) or Mrs Uttley caroline.uttley@yateley.hants.sch.uk for a prompt answer!

Monday 05 May 2025			
Bank Holiday Monday - School closed			
Tuesday 06 May 2025			Location
Normal lessons			
Wednesday 07 May 2025			Location
Normal lessons			
Thursday 08 May 2025			Location
0800-0845am	OPTIONAL	Drama Breakfast Club	Main Hall
AM Exam: Drama: Component 3: Theatre Makers in Practice			
Period 3	COMPULSORY	Additional German support	B2.3
PM Exam: German: Listening/Reading			
After school	OPTIONAL	Business Studies support	BB rooms
Friday 09 May 2025			Location
Period 3	COMPULSORY	Additional Business Studies support	Main Hall
PM Exam: Business Studies Paper 1 (Human Resources and Operations)			

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THE GCSE WEEK AHEAD #2

MONDAY 12 MAY 2025 – FRIDAY 16 MAY 2025 (WEEK B)

And now we really get started! Take a good look at what is available to support you and decide what you want to attend from anything that is shown as **OPTIONAL**. You must attend anything showing as **COMPULSORY** (if you study that subject!) as it is taking place instead of your normal lessons.

Sessions shown are delivered by your subject teachers. During the morning Breakfast Club sessions you'll have food and drink (supplied by us) and we'll help you to wake that brain up and prepare you with key exam information. And finally, whatever GCSE questions you may still have, please just email peter.hill@yateley.hants.sch.uk (day or night!) or Mrs Uttley caroline.uttley@yateley.hants.sch.uk for a prompt answer!

Monday 12 May 2025			Location
0800-0845am	OPTIONAL	English Breakfast Club	Main Hall
AM Exam: English Literature: Component 1 Shakespeare & Poetry			
P3	COMPULSORY	Computer Science support	C2.8
PM Exam: Computer Science: Computer Systems - Written Paper			
After school	OPTIONAL	Biology club	Science rooms

Tuesday 13 May 2025			Location
0800-0845am	OPTIONAL	Religious Studies Breakfast Club	Main Hall
AM Exam: RS Route A: Comp 1 Religious, Philosophical & Ethical Studies in the Modern World			
P3	COMPULSORY	Biology Exam Prep	Science rooms
PM Exam: Biology: Biology Paper 1 (both tiers)			

Wednesday 14 May 2025			Location
0800-0845am	OPTIONAL	Geography Breakfast Club	Main Hall
AM Exam: Geography B: Paper 1: Global Geographical Issues			
P2	COMPULSORY	Maths (11H) students attend normal Maths lessons	Check Satchel:One
P3	COMPULSORY	Maths (11P) students only do not attend timetabled Science lesson, attend Maths instead.	Check Satchel:One
After school	OPTIONAL	Maths club	Maths rooms

Thursday 15 May 2025			Location
0800-0845am	OPTIONAL	Maths Breakfast Club	Main Hall
AM Exam: Maths - Paper 1 (Foundation) or Maths Paper 4 (Higher)			
P3	COMPULSORY	German support	B2.3
PM Exam: German Writing Paper			
After-school	OPTIONAL	History preparation	History rooms
After school	OPTIONAL	Business Studies support	BB rooms

Friday 16 May 2025			Location
0800-0845am	OPTIONAL	History Breakfast Club	Main Hall
AM Exam: History: History Paper 1			
P3	COMPULSORY	Business Studies Preparation	Main Hall
PM Exam: Business: Business Paper 2 - Marketing and Finance			
After-school	OPTIONAL	PE preparation	B1.1

THE GCSE WEEK AHEAD #3

MONDAY 19 MAY 2025 – FRIDAY 23 MAY 2025 (WEEK A)

Week three and we hope you are ready for half term! Here is your menu of options for the third full week of your GCSEs. Take a good look at what is available to support you and decide what you want to attend from anything that is shown as **OPTIONAL**. You must attend anything showing as **COMPULSORY** (if you study that subject!) as it is taking place instead of your normal lessons.

Monday 19 May 2025			Location
0800-0845am	OPTIONAL	Science Breakfast Club	Science rooms
AM Exam: Chemistry Paper 1 (both tiers)			
P3	COMPULSORY	Physical Education Exam Prep	B1.1
PM Exam: Physical Education Paper 1			
P4	COMPULSORY	PSHE and PE students to attend English	English rooms

Tuesday 20 May 2025			Location
0800-0845am	OPTIONAL	English Breakfast Club	Main Hall
AM Exam: English Literature: Component 2 Post 1914 Prose/Drama & unseen poetry			
P3	COMPULSORY	Computer Science Exam Prep	C2.8
PM Exam: Computer Science - Computational thinking, algorithms & programming			
After-school (15.10 to 16.15)	OPTIONAL	French Club	B2.3

Wednesday 21 May 2025			Location
0800-0845am	OPTIONAL	French Breakfast Club	B2.3
AM Exam: French Listening and Reading Paper			
P3	COMPULSORY	Religious Studies Exam Prep	A1.1 + A1.2
After P3 Science	STUDY LEAVE	Students to leave site (unless Religious Studies). Please leave via reception only.	Various
PM Exam: RS Route A: Comp 2 Study of Christianity			
After-school (15.10 to 16.15)	OPTIONAL	Maths Preparation (any students)	Maths classrooms
After-school (15.10 to 16.15)	OPTIONAL	Physics Preparation (any students)	Science

Thursday 22 May 2025			Location
0800-0845am	OPTIONAL	Physics Breakfast Club	Science rooms
AM Exam: Physics Paper 1 (both tiers)			
After Physics	STUDY LEAVE	Students to leave site after their Physics exam. Please leave via reception.	Home!

Friday 23 May 2025			Location
0800-0845am	OPTIONAL	English Breakfast Club	Main Hall
AM Exam: English Language Paper 1			
After Exam	STUDY LEAVE	Students to leave site after their English exam. Please leave via reception and have a happy holiday!	n/a

HALF TERM: Some subjects may run revision sessions during half term. Details regarding any revision sessions will be communicated nearer to the time by individual departments.

THE GCSE WEEK AHEAD #4

MONDAY 02 JUNE 2025 – FRIDAY 06 JUNE 2025 (WEEK B)

You return after the holiday to a very significant week in your GCSE journey. We have **OPTIONAL** study leave that we encourage you to use wisely. If you have not completed the final exam in a subject then those lessons are still running, so attending them will give you a lot of focused support to help you through those final exams.

Please note that you **MUST** sign out at reception if you are leaving the school site. This is crucial in case of any fire evacuation or other emergency.

Monday 02 June 2025			Location
0800-0845	OPTIONAL	Statistics Breakfast Club	C2.4
AM Exam: Statistics GCSE Paper 1			
P1	COMPULSORY	Attend English / Maths as timetabled	Various
P2	COMPULSORY	All students attend normal option lessons	Various
P3	COMPULSORY	Attend English / Maths as timetabled UNLESS :	Various
P3	COMPULSORY	Dance students (P3 booster)	Dance Studio
After P3	OPTIONAL STUDY LEAVE	Students can leave the site at 1.10pm (you MUST sign out) or optionally remain for Science/Pe for P4.	n/a
PM Exam: Dance Written			
P4	OPTIONAL	Science / PE lessons	Various

Tuesday 03 June 2025			Location
AM Exam: None			
P1	COMPULSORY	Attend English / Maths as timetabled	Satchel:One
P2	COMPULSORY	Attend Science / Maths as timetabled	Satchel:One
P3	COMPULSORY	Attend Science / English as timetabled	Various
After P3	OPTIONAL STUDY LEAVE	Students can leave the site at 1.10pm (you MUST sign out) or optionally remain for Option A subject (P4)	n/a
PM Exam: Polish: Listening & Reading			
P4	OPTIONAL	Option A subjects	Various

Wednesday 04 June 2025			Location
0800-0845	OPTIONAL	Maths Breakfast Club	Main Hall
AM Exam: Mathematics: Paper 2/5			
P2	COMPULSORY	Students must attend their P2 English/Maths lesson	Various
P3	COMPULSORY	Students must attend their P3 Science lesson unless :	Science
P3	COMPULSORY	Religious Studies students to RS support	A1.1 + A1.2
After P3	OPTIONAL STUDY LEAVE	Students can leave the site at 1.10pm (you MUST sign out) or optionally remain for Option C subjects (P4)	n/a
PM Exam: RS Route A: Comp 3 Islam			
P4	OPTIONAL	Option C subjects	Various

THE GCSE WEEK AHEAD #4

MONDAY 02 JUNE 2025 – FRIDAY 06 JUNE 2025 (WEEK B)

Thursday 05 June 2025			Location
Students who study:			
History only		Please attend for AM breakfast club / exam and remain in school for the day, following your normal timetable.	n/a
French only		Please attend for P3 + PM French exam only.	n/a
History + French		Please attend AM breakfast club / exam and attend P3 French support.	
Neither History nor French		Please attend either: A. P3 (Option C) OR B. Arrive during lunchtime for P4 (see details below) OR C. Remain on Study Leave (not advised - English exam is tomorrow and P4 will provide significant support!)	
0800-0845	OPTIONAL	History Breakfast Club	Main Hall
AM Exam: History Paper 2			
P3	OPTIONAL	French support	B2.3 + B2.2
PM Exam: French Writing Paper			
P4	COMPULSORY	English lesson - tailored support for exam	English rooms
Friday 06 June 2025			
0800-0845	OPTIONAL	English Language Breakfast Club	Main Hall
AM Exam: English Language Paper 2			
P2	COMPULSORY	Attend Science	Science rooms
After P2	STUDY LEAVE	Please sign out at reception after P2 unless Geography students (exam) or Food Technology (optional)	Various
P3	OPTIONAL	Food Technology Exam Prep	Food Tech
P3	COMPULSORY	Geography Exam Prep	Main Hall
PM Exam: Geography B Paper 2: UK Geographical Issues			
1510-1610	OPTIONAL	PE preparation	B1.1

**PERMANENT OPTIONAL STUDY LEAVE APPLIES TO ALL STUDENTS
FROM P3 ON FRIDAY 06 JUNE ONWARDS**

Students arriving or departing **between** the hours of 9.00am and 3.10pm must sign in on arrival and sign out on departure at reception.

Students may only sign in once and/or sign out once per day.

THE GCSE WEEK AHEAD #5

MONDAY 09 JUNE 2025 – FRIDAY 13 JUNE 2025 (WEEK A)

Week five - and this one is busy... but what a great Friday!

You're on study leave now but use it wisely, because turning up to option subjects that haven't had their final exam yet can make all the difference! If any student can't get home or wishes to remain in school then please email peter.hill@yateley.hants.sch.uk and I'll be happy to assist.

Monday 09 June 2025			Location
0800-0845am	OPTIONAL	Biology Breakfast Club	Science rooms
AM Exam: Biology Paper 2 (both tiers)			
After Biology	STUDY LEAVE	Home unless PE students or check with Option A teachers if optional lessons are running	n/a
P2 + P3	COMPULSORY	PE students to attend PE support	B1.1
PM Exam: Physical Education: Paper 2			
After school	OPTIONAL	Spanish	B2.4

Tuesday 10 June 2025			Location
0800-0845am	OPTIONAL	Spanish Breakfast Club	B2.4
0800-0845am	OPTIONAL	Childcare Breakfast Club	C1.5
P1	OPTIONAL	Graphics lessons and 3D Product Design Lessons	Various
AM Exam: Spanish Listening and Reading Paper			
AM Exam: Childcare			
IMPORTANT: Don't miss the Maths Walking Talking Mock TODAY. This is one of the most important moments in the exam series because it's your chance to see exactly the kind of questions that will come up on Paper 3/6. You'll walk in to this session and find out exactly what to expect in your exam tomorrow; walking out one step closer to smashing it!			
P3	OPTIONAL	Foundation Maths (90) Home at lunchtime	Main Hall
P4	OPTIONAL	Higher Maths in MH (120) Home at 3:10pm	Main Hall
PM Exam: None			

Wednesday 11 June 2025			Location
0800-0845	OPTIONAL	Maths Breakfast Club	Main Hall
AM Exam: Maths Paper 3/6			
After Maths Exam	STUDY LEAVE	All students to leave site	n/a
Contingency Afternoon in case of National Emergency			

Thursday 12 June 2025			Location
0800-0845	OPTIONAL	Geography Breakfast Club	Main Hall
AM Exam: Geography B: Paper 3: People and Environment Issues			
After Geog Exam	STUDY LEAVE	All students to leave site	n/a
P3	OPTIONAL	Further Maths Additional Support	Maths
PM Exam: Further Mathematics: Further Maths Paper 1			
1510-1615	OPTIONAL	Chemistry Support	Science rooms

THE GCSE WEEK AHEAD #5

MONDAY 09 JUNE 2025 – FRIDAY 13 JUNE 2025 (WEEK A)

Friday 13 June 2025			Location
0800-0845	OPTIONAL	Chemistry Breakfast Club	Science rooms
AM Exam: Chemistry: Chemistry Paper 2 (both tiers)			
P2	COMPULSORY	After the Chemistry exam please attend your timetabled P2 lesson. You will have a chance to spend it with your friends and relax!	P2 lesson
1120	COMPULSORY	Students can get changed ready for graduation assembly. You must be wearing something that resembles school uniform! 😬	TBC
Breaktime	COMPULSORY	Shirt signing, emotion and fun on the tennis courts as we prepare the Main Hall	Tennis Courts
P3	COMPULSORY	Graduation assembly: Get ready to laugh and cry as we give you the big farewell you all deserve! You can also collect hoodies, year books and more signatures!	Main Hall
1pm	COMPULSORY	Head off site for your big weekend unless...	Main Hall
1510-1615	OPTIONAL	Statistics Support	C2.3
PM Exam: Polish PM Exam: Statistics Paper 2 (Please note: you must not have a signed shirt for the exam or you will be disqualified!)			

THE GCSE WEEK AHEAD #6
MONDAY 16 JUNE 2025 – WEDNESDAY 25 JUNE 2025 (WEEK B)

Monday 16 June 2025			Location
0800-0845	OPTIONAL	Physics support	Science rooms
AM Exam: Physics			
STUDY LEAVE UNLESS...			
P2 + P3	OPTIONAL	Music Workshop	Music room
PM Exam: Music			
After school	OPTIONAL	Spanish	B2.4

Tuesday 17 June 2025			Location
ALL DAY - STUDY LEAVE UNLESS...			
0800-0845am	OPTIONAL	Spanish Breakfast	B2.4
P1 + P2	OPTIONAL	All Graphics lessons and 3D Product Design Lessons	Various
AM Exam: Spanish Writing Paper			
P2 (if Spanish student) P3 (all food students)	OPTIONAL	Food and Nutrition Workshop	TE2, TE3 and TE4
P3	OPTIONAL	Additional Maths Workshop	C2.3
PM Exam: Food Prep & Nutrition: Comp 1 Principles of Food Prep & Nutrition			
PM Exam: Additional Maths (FMSQ)			

Wednesday 18 June 2025			Location
ALL DAY - STUDY LEAVE UNLESS...			
0800-0845am	OPTIONAL	Graphics and 3D Product Design	BG1/2 + BWL
AM Exam: Design and Technology: Graphics and 3D Product Design			
P3	OPTIONAL	Further Maths Support	TBC
PM Exam: Further Mathematics: Further Maths Paper 2			

Wednesday 25 June 2025			
Exam contingency day in case of a national emergency earlier in the exam series			

Dates for your diary:

- ☐ Tuesday 24 June 2025: Sixth Form Link Day ("Keeping touch and having fun!")

Important: If you have not yet decided on your next steps after GCSE (or you are still interested in joining Yateley Sixth Form) then please email mike.tidd@yateley.hants.sch.uk to find out more!

- ☐ Friday 27 June 2025: Year 11 Prom (7.30pm to 11pm)

- ☐ Thursday 21 August 2025: GCSE Results Day

When do I receive my results?

GCSE results will be issued in school on Thursday 21 August 2025. You can collect your result slips between 10.00am and 11.30am in the Main Hall (via reception). Parents are also welcome to attend!

PLEASE NOTE: Do not telephone the school for results as no results will be issued over the telephone. If you wish for someone else to collect results on your behalf then you can request this by providing the person with a letter giving them permission. The person you nominate to collect your results must bring the letter and some photographic ID with them (i.e a driving licence or passport) in order to collect your results.

If you need to communicate regarding collecting your results please email results@yateley.hants.sch.uk. Any communication must come from your school email address only.

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