

May 2024

Year 9 Cycle 3 Assessments

Dear Families,

Firstly, I would like to thank you for your continued support in ensuring your child upholds our core values of resilience, integrity, and courtesy to ensure our school is a place where everyone feels welcome, and everyone succeeds.

We are approaching Cycle 3 Assessments for Year 9. Students will complete assessments in all subjects and these will be held between **3 June and 21 June** (just after the half-term break). The majority of assessments will take place in the sports hall to support students with getting used to formal exam conditions and expectations.

At Dixons McMillan, we use assessment to make inferences about student progress and to ensure that all students receive the support they need. Teachers will analyse students' performance in these assessments in order to plan the most effective interventions in class. Students will receive their results in class, and you will receive a Cycle 3 Report in July with details of the percentage scored by your child, along with how this compares with the average year-group performance across the trust.

Please can you help your child to prepare for these assessments by

- Providing them with a quiet space to revise
- Discussing their Cycle 3 assessments with them
- Guiding them to use their revision material and 100% folders
- Talking to them about their concerns or fears.

Please see overleaf for the schedule of assessments and the topics they will cover.

We would like to wish all our students the very best of luck and continue to thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours faithfully,



Lydia Gayle
Assistant Vice Principal



Subject	Focus of Assessment and Topics to Revise	Date
Drama	Performance skills and general knowledge	Practical assessment: completed 23 May Written assessment: 5 June
Health and Social Care	Life stages, PIES development, factors affecting development, individual rights and values of care	Wednesday 5 June
Maths (Non-Calculator)	Edexcel Paper 1 – Non calculator Please refer to revision list and use given past paper to revise	Thursday 6 June
Science Paper 1	B1- Cell biology, C1 Atomic structure & periodic table P3- Particle model of matter	Monday 10 June
RE	Islam Practices 1, 2, 4, 5 & 12 mark questions.	Tuesday 11 June
English	English Language Paper 1	Wednesday 12 June
Geography	Rivers and Pre-release (nuclear energy)	Thursday 13 June
History	Viking Expansion, c.750 - c.1050 The Norman Conquest, 1065 - 1087	Friday 14 June
Maths Paper 2 (Calculator)	Edexcel Paper 2 – Non calculator Please refer to revision list and use given pass paper to revise	Wednesday 19 June
PE	Roles and responsibilities of officials Rules and regulations of a chosen sport Plan of drilled and conditioned practices	Wednesday 19 June
Spanish	Family, Free time, Town, Holidays, School Opinions, reasons, past and future tenses.	Thursday 20 June
Science Paper 2	B2- Organisation, C2- Bonding structure & properties P4- Atomic structure	Friday 21 June
Music	Component 1 Music genres musical features	Coursework deadline Friday 21 June
Computing	R095 Coursework unit	Coursework deadline Friday 21 June
DT	Assessment of sketchbook for Narrative theme. Students will be assessed on their research and investigation tasks as well as presentation.	Coursework deadline Friday 21 June
Art	Final Piece Natural Form from Sketchbooks	Coursework deadline Friday 21 June

