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### **Year 9 Cycle 3 Assessments**

Dear Families,

To support with your child's revision, Heads of Department have summarised some revision strategies and materials they might find useful in preparation. It is important that all students are working hard for their Cycle 3 Assessments, which will give an indication of how students are performing.

There will only be one opportunity for students to sit the exam as these are aligned with the rest of Dixons Academies Trust at set dates and times. It is therefore vital that your child has 100% attendance over the coming weeks.

We will be upholding the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ) exam expectations throughout. These include:

- Silence at all times – no communication whatsoever in the exam room;
- Clear pencil cases only;
- No watches of any form, including analogue, digital or smartwatches.

Please find the revision materials on the back of this letter and do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. Results from the Cycle 3 assessments will be reported home before the Summer Holidays.

Yours sincerely,



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Assistant Vice Principal



Subject	Date	Focus of Assessment	Revision resources or strategies
English	21.06.23	English Language: Language Analysis, Structure Analysis, Evaluation Descriptive/Narrative Writing	Use 100% sheets to revise TEAS Revise grammar <a href="http://www.bristol.ac.uk/arts/exercises/grammar/grammar_tutorial/page_01.htm">http://www.bristol.ac.uk/arts/exercises/grammar/grammar_tutorial/page_01.htm</a> <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zn8tkmn/articles/zhwkkty">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zn8tkmn/articles/zhwkkty</a>
Maths	22.06.23	Calculator / Non-Calculator	Use Revision topic list to attempt skills: <a href="https://www.sparxmaths.uk/">https://www.sparxmaths.uk/</a> <a href="https://corbettmaths.com/contents/">https://corbettmaths.com/contents/</a> <a href="https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/gcse.html">https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/gcse.html</a> Attempt past GCSE papers
Science	19.06.23 and 23.06.23	Biology, Chemistry and Physics	AQA Specification CGP Revision Guides Answering online questions using Educake YouTube – ‘Free Science Lessons’ YouTube – ‘Cognito’ YouTube – ‘Malmesbury Required Practicals’ Past exam questions using <a href="http://www.physicsandmathstutor.com">www.physicsandmathstutor.com</a>
Spanish	20.06.23	Listening, Reading and writing Revise year 7 and year 8 content plus:Holidays and travel; school; family and friends; technology; time and weather.	Use your 100% sheets and class booklets. See BBC Bitesize GCSE AQA Spanish for topics and grammar practice: <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/z4yyjvh">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/z4yyjvh</a>
Geography	19.06.23	Physical Landscapes, Geographical Skills, Geographical Decisions.	Familiarise yourself with the pre release again and before the exam Make sure the glossary is complete at the back of the pre release teaching booklet. Complete any remaining questions in the pre release teaching booklet.
History	Cycle 3 Week 8 and Cycle 3 Week 9	Viking Expansion 750- 1050 Norman Conquest 1065-1087	Students are completing the assessment in their lessons over these two weeks. Students have their Norman Conquest 100% sheets in the back of their booklet and have been issued with new copies of their Viking Expansion 100% sheets