

**HAZEL  
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HIGH SCHOOL

**Year 10 Getting Ahead**  
**What do I need to know?**

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## When are the mock exams?

Mock exams start on the 17<sup>th</sup> June and finish on the 1<sup>st</sup> July

Yr10 Internal Exams Summer 2026									
	Unit 1	Unit 2		Unit 3	Unit 4		Unit 5	Unit 6	
Monday 15 June	GCSE / A Level Exams		BREAK			LUNCH			
Tuesday 16 June	GCSE / A Level Exams								
Wednesday 17 June	Eng Lit 1hr 45mins								
Thursday 18 June	Science Biology / Combined Science 1hr 45mins / 1hr 15mins							Maths P1 1hr 30mins	
Friday 18 June	INSET DAY							INSET DAY	
Monday 22 June	Eng Lang 1hr 45mins		BREAK			LUNCH	Maths P2 1hr 30mins		
Tuesday 23 June	Science Chemistry / Combined Science 1hr 45mins / 1hr 15mins							Spanish Writing 1hr10mins	
Wednesday 24 June	Maths P3 1hr 30mins				CAMNAT/ PE 1 hr 15 mins / 1hr 30mins				
Thursday 25 June	Science Physics / Combined Science 1hr 45mins / 1hr 15mins							Media 1hr 30mins	
Friday 26 June	History 2hrs				Spanish Reading 45mins				
Monday 29 June	Business 1hr 45mins		BREAK			LUNCH	Food & Nutrition 1hr 45mins		
Tuesday 30 June	Design Tech / Drama 2hr / 1hr30mins							Geography 1hr 30Mins	
Wednesday 1 July	Computer Science / Music 1hr 30 mins / 1hr 45mins								
Thursday 2 July									
Friday 3 July									

## Key Dates:

Y10 Mock Preparation Evening and Getting Ahead for Year 11: Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June.  
Further information to follow.

## Why are mocks important?

- Get used to real exam conditions
- See what they are good at
- Find gaps in their knowledge
- Build confidence
- Get support heading into Year 11



## How should my child revise?

- Revise a little every day (not last minute)
- Work in short sessions (about 25 minutes)
- Focus on weak topics

Use things like:

- Practice questions
- Flashcards
- Knowledge organisers



## How much revision should they be doing?

- About **3–5 hours per week total**
- Spread across subjects
- Little and often works best

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8am - 4pm	School	School	School	School	School
4pm - 5pm					
5pm - 6pm					
6pm - 7pm					
8pm - 9pm					
Weekend	Saturday	Sunday		Saturday	Sunday
9am - 10pm			1pm - 3pm		
10pm - 11pm			3pm - 5pm		
11pm - 1pm			5pm - 7pm		

## What is PPR?

PPR (practice, preparation and retrieval) = homework that helps learning.

It should:

- Linked closely to topics that students are learning in class
- Build skills for GCSE exams
- Be meaningful and useful



You don't need to be an expert!

✓ **You CAN:**

- Ask: "What are you revising today?"
- Help them get started
- Praise effort
- Keep routines calm and simple



✗ **You do NOT need to:**

- Know the subject
- Check all answers
- Sit with them the whole time



**What helps students revise well?**

- A quiet space
- Good sleep
- Short study sessions
- Positive encouragement



**Who can help?**

Please contact school if you need any support or advice.

Heads of House – here to support the academic progress of all students. Can help support students with study skills, subject specific concerns, organisation and resources.

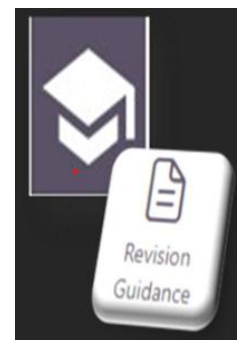
Magnus – Mr Black

Laurus – Mrs McCourt

Altius – Mr Donnarumma

Fortius – Mr Massey

Citius – Miss Emerson



Head of Year, Miss Lamb – can support students with any pastoral and attendance concerns.

## Where can students study in school?

- Study Hub (Room E22)
- Open every lunchtime after May half term

## Online learning

### Sparx Maths

Username: firstnamelastname

Password: students own password

### Kay Science

Username:

firstnamelastname6153

### Seneca (Science, History and other subjects)

Username: school email

Password: students own password

### Languagenut

Username:

firstnamesurnameinitial(e.g. SamS)

### Illuminate (Food and Nutrition)

Username: SHAZEL3

Password: STUDENT3

### PE Classroom

Username: school email

Password: school password

### Sharepoint (variety of subjects including English)

Username: school email

Password: school password

### Other useful websites (no passwords required):

Maths genie <https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk>

BBC Bitesize

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z98jmp3>

Quizlet <https://quizlet.com/gb/content/gcse>

Technology student

<https://www.technologystudent.com>

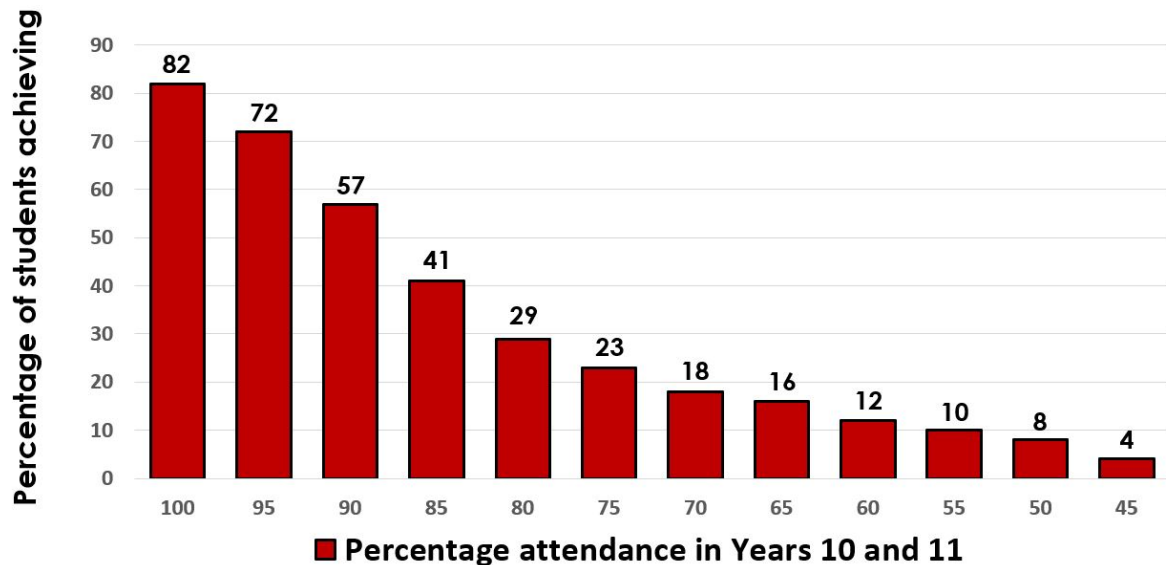
Student art guide

<https://www.studentartguide.com>

## Why does attendance matter so much?

- Attendance has a **big impact on grades**
- If you are in school you have a greater chance of achieving 5+ GCSE at grades 5-9 and maximise your chances of achieving your goals

## Chances of 5+ GCSE 5-9 grades including English and Maths



## How can I support good attendance?

- Support your child with regular routines – wellbeing is important and regular sleep, eating well, exercise and less screen time help
- Show an interest in school
- Focus on effort not results
- Check My Child at School app and the school newsletter to keep up to date
- Contact school early if your child needs support – we want to help but need to know what's going on

Every day matters and good attendance will maximise chances of success and open the door to your child's future

**Parents Evening Feedback: Please use this page to record any notes and actions**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Actions</b>
English		
Maths		
Science		



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