



Welcome

Create Your Future
Be who you are, become who you aspire to be

Year 11 Information Evening

Working together to help every Year 11 student give themselves the best possible chance.

1

Making every day count

Attendance • lessons • homework

2

The year ahead

Key dates • mocks • results

3

Preparing for GCSEs

Revision • routines • exam rules

4

Supporting your child

Help • balance • wellbeing

5

Looking beyond Year 11

Sixth Form • college • apprenticeships

OUR PURPOSE

To make sure you know what lies ahead, what school will do to support your child, and what you can do at home to help.

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Making the most of the year ahead

Two things can be true at the same time...

There is plenty of time.

There is no time to waste.

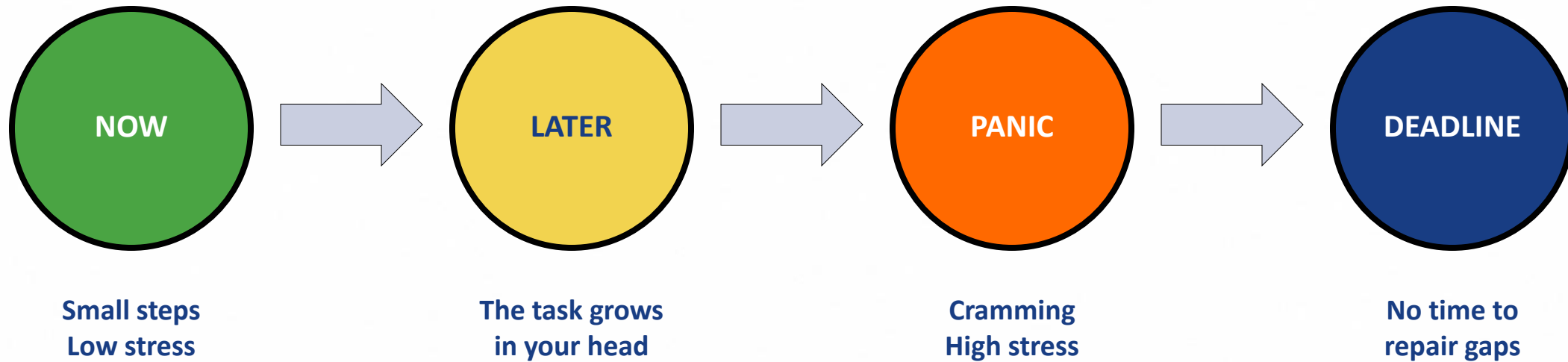
Making the most of the year ahead

Our message to Year 11 has been

DON'T WAIT. START.

Good habits now make the the year much easier.

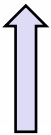
The danger of 'later'



You do not need to panic. You need a routine.

3 Things students can do to ensure they don't fall behind

1. Come to school every day



National Average 4.5

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BE PRESENT

BE PUNCTUAL

Days off school add up to lost learning.

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Our target for all students

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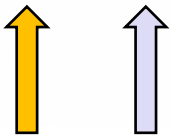
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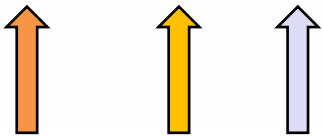
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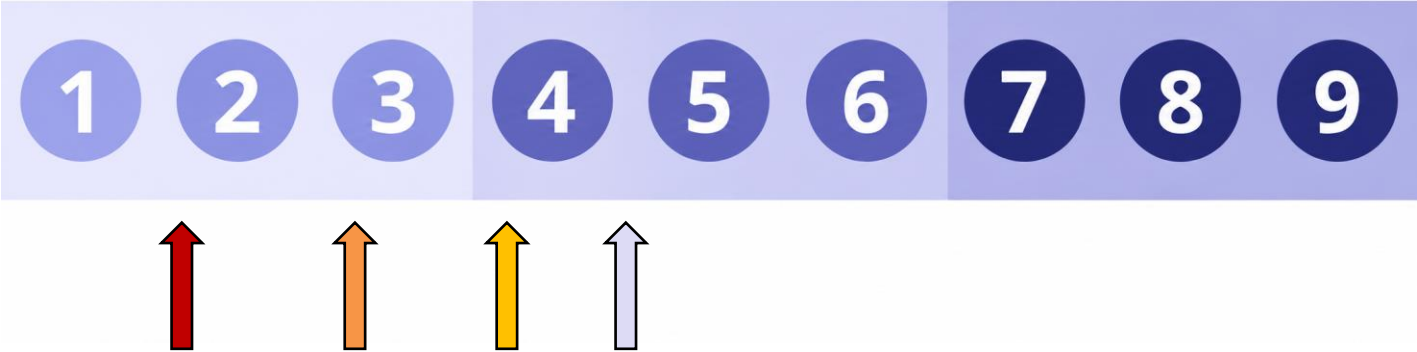
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Belper students with **< 80%** attendance
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2. Every lesson matters

A full day is more than just arriving at school.



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Be Belper

EXEMPLARY

Students meet **all 5** expectations **every lesson**

GOOD

Students meet **all 5** expectations **most lessons**

INCONSISTENT

Students meet **some** expectations **most lessons** or **all 5 occasionally**

NOTICE TO IMPROVE

Students often fail to meet some of the expectations in lessons

3. Keep up with homework



HOMework SCHEDULE



Homework will be set every Monday,
with a deadline of **8am** following Monday.



This weekly structure has been chosen to allow flexibility around existing commitments. You may prefer to complete a small amount of work each evening, or you may choose to work for longer periods at the weekend.

HOMework WILL INCLUDE A MIXTURE OF:



Online learning tasks
such as Sparx Maths, Educake, Seneca



Super-curricular tasks
that extend learning beyond the classroom



Knowledge Organiser activities
to support memory and recall



Preparatory tasks
that help students arrive ready for upcoming lessons



Exam preparation and revision
to build confidence and strengthen understanding

THIS HALF TERM

WEEK
1

Set: **Monday 14th September**

Deadline: Monday 21st September at 8am



- ✓ Maths
- ✓ English
- ✓ Science
- ✓ Option X
- ✓ Option Y

WEEK
2

Set: **Monday 21st September**

Deadline: Monday 28th September at 8am



- ✓ Maths
- ✓ English
- ✓ Science
- ✓ Option Z
- ✓ Option X

WEEK
3

Set: **Monday 28th September**

Deadline: Monday 5th October at 8am



- ✓ Maths
- ✓ English
- ✓ Science
- ✓ Option Y
- ✓ Option Z

WEEK
4

Set: **Monday 5th October**

Deadline: Monday 12th October at 8am



- ✓ Maths
- ✓ English
- ✓ Science
- ✓ Option X
- ✓ Option Y

WEEK
5

Set: **Monday 12th October**

Deadline: Monday 19th October at 8am



- ✓ Maths
- ✓ English
- ✓ Science
- ✓ Option Z
- ✓ Option X

WEEK
6

Set: **Monday 19th October**

Deadline: Monday 2nd November at 8am



- ✓ Maths
- ✓ English
- ✓ Science
- ✓ Option Y
- ✓ Option Z

Key dates for Year 11



The Year 11 Journey

KEY DATES 2026 - 2027

AUTUMN TERM

- 1**  **w/c 28th September**
SLT interviews
A chance to discuss progress and next steps.
- 2**  **15th October**
Year 12 Open Evening for Belper Sixth Form
Find out about the opportunities available in our Sixth Form.
- 3**  **16th October**
Applications for Belper Sixth Form open
Start your application for Year 12.
- 4**  **2nd November**
MFL mock oral exams start
Modern Foreign Language speaking exams begin
- 5**  **w/c 9th November**
Mock exams start
Students will receive revision packs beforehand, just like Year 10.

SPRING TERM

- 10**  **Monday 23rd February**
Year 11 revision evening
Advice, strategies and support to help you succeed.
- 9**  **Monday 11th January**
Sixth Form interviews start
Interviews for Belper Sixth Form begin.
- 8**  **Thursday 7th January**
Year 11 Parent Consultation Evening
Discuss progress and next steps. Careers stand available for any questions about apprenticeships.
- 7**  **Monday 4th January**
Mock results day
Receive your mock exam results and find out what to focus on next.
- 6**  **11th December**
Deadline for Sixth Form applications
Submit your application for Year 12.

SUMMER TERM

- 11**  **Thursday 26th February**
Year 11 revision weekend
Focused revision sessions to build confidence and preparation.
- 12**  **w/c 10th May**
GCSE examinations start
First exam: **Monday 10 May 2027**
Be ready. You've got this.
- 13**  **Wednesday 23rd June**
Contingency day
Reserved by the Joint Council for Qualifications in case of national or significant local disruption.
- 14**  **Wednesday 23rd June**
Prom
A chance to celebrate your hard work and achievements.

BEYOND

- 16**  **Thursday 19th August**
Results day and Sixth Form registration
Collect your results and confirm your next steps.
- 15**  **Friday 2nd July**
Year 12 transition day
Your next chapter begins.

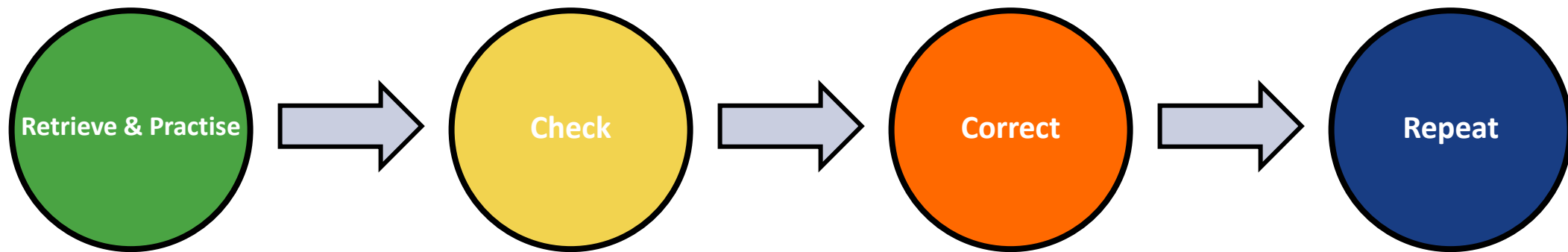
Mock Exams

Monday 9th November

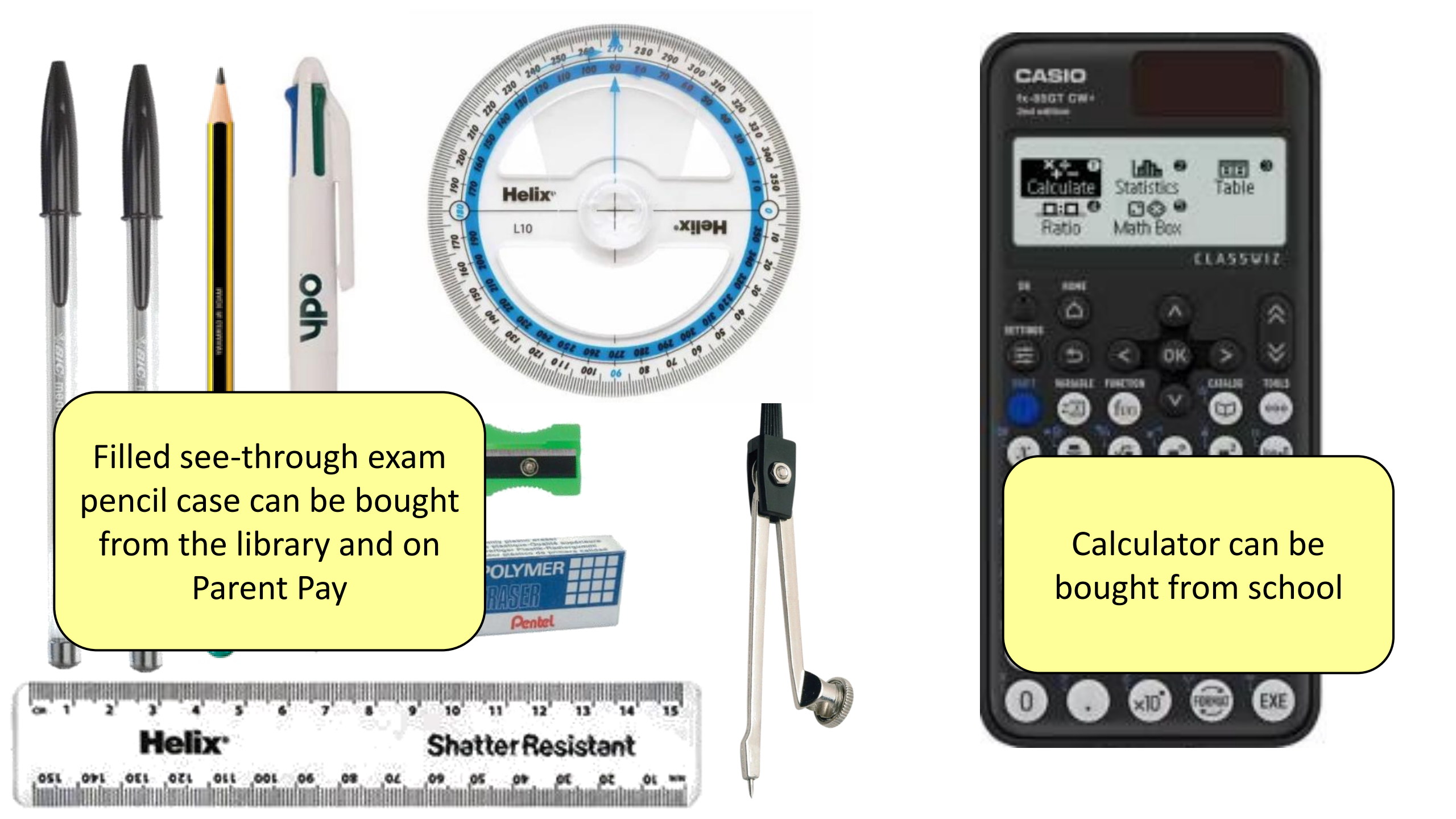
How the mock exams help to prepare for the real GCSEs

- How to revise
 - What to revise
 - How to manage emotions in the build up to the exams
 - Procedures and routines
 - Examination rules
 - How to manage time in the exam
 - How to keep going during the exam
 - What happens on results day
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Good revision is active



Knowledge Organisers • self-quizzing • practice questions • past papers •
explaining without notes • flash cards • Mind maps • revision websites...



Filled see-through exam
pencil case can be bought
from the library and on
Parent Pay

Calculator can be
bought from school

Prohibited items

- Phones
- Watches
- Airpods
- Revision notes

They are not allowed to be left in pockets or bags, even if they are switched off.

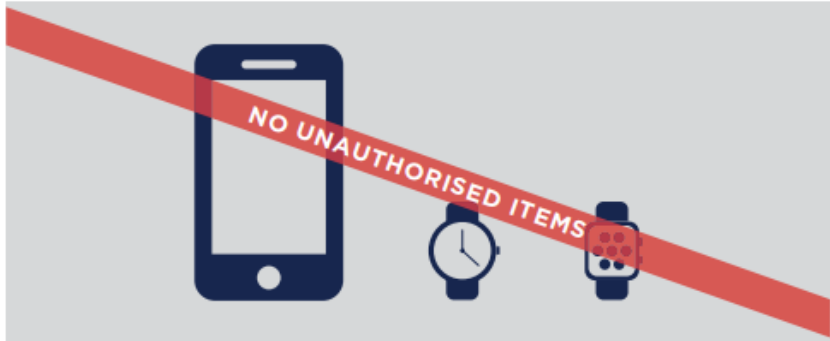
Leave in lockers



AQA City & Guilds CCEA OCR Pearson WJEC

**NO MOBILE PHONES
NO WATCHES**

NO POTENTIAL TECHNOLOGICAL/WEB
ENABLED SOURCES OF INFORMATION



Possession of unauthorised items, such as a mobile phone
or any watch, is a serious offence and could result in

DISQUALIFICATION

from your examination and your overall qualification.

This poster must be displayed in a prominent place outside each examination room.

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Other Important Information

- There is only one sitting of each exam, except for clashes.
- **Students who miss exams will receive either an X or a U grade.**
- Special consideration will be made for those with a doctor's note or for compassionate reasons (eg. bereavement/funeral etc)



AQA	City & Guilds	CCEA	OCR	Pearson	WJEC
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Warning to Candidates

1. You **must** be on time for all your examinations.
2. **Possession of a mobile phone** or other unauthorised material **is not allowed** even if you do not intend to use it. You will be subject to penalty and possible disqualification from the exam/qualification.
3. You **must not** talk to, attempt to communicate with or disturb other candidates once you have entered the examination room.
4. You **must** follow the instructions of the invigilator.
5. You **must not** sit an examination in the name of another candidate.
6. You **must not** become involved in any unfair or dishonest practice in any part of the examination.
7. If you are confused about anything, only speak to an invigilator.

The *Warning to Candidates* must be displayed in a prominent place outside each examination room. This may be a hard copy A3 paper version or an image of the poster projected onto a wall or screen for all candidates to see.

Mock Results

We will have a mock results day Monday 4th January

Students will not receive individual results until then.

Why?

- If they haven't done well they will receive bad news multiple times.
- If have done well, less likely to listen to advice on improvements during lessons. The aim is to improve the student, not the work.
- Individual questions won't be repeated on the real exams, but the strategies will.

ADVICE FROM YEAR 12

“Actually listen to your teachers when they tell you to revise.”

“Start revision early!”

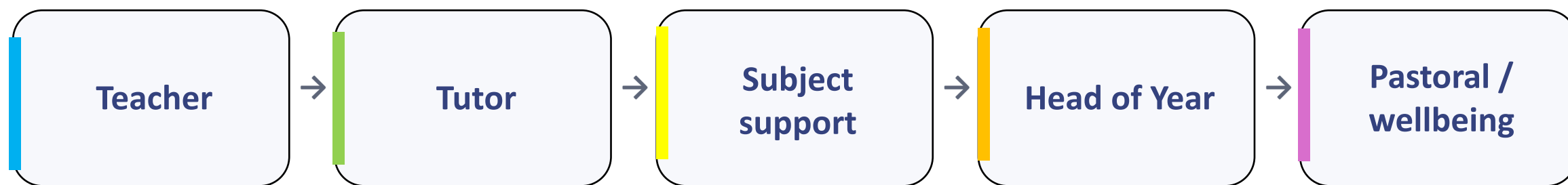
“Don’t cram.”

“Don’t stress. It makes it worse.”

“Don’t stop doing your hobbies.”

Use the adults around you

Successful students ask for help before a small gap becomes a big one.



Don't wait to be invited.

What can you do?

- Have a copy of the mock timetable available
- Ensure they have somewhere quiet to revise
- Ensure they have time to revise
- Let them have time to relax
- Speak to their place of work to reduce their hours
- Check that they have the equipment they need
- Encourage them to come to drop in sessions
- Encourage them to have breakfast before school
- Ensure they get to bed at a reasonable time
- Ensure they are in school

Work hard ≠ work all the time

The aim is sustainable effort, not seven months of panic.

SCHOOL

REVISION

SLEEP

FRIENDS

EXERCISE

DOWNTIME

When stress becomes too much

Some stress is normal. Overwhelming stress isn't.

Things to notice

Changes in sleep • extreme anxiety • avoiding school • feeling unable to start • withdrawing

What to do

Talk to us early.

We can help students break problems down and access the right support.

What happens after Year 11?



SIXTH FORM

A levels and Level 3 study



COLLEGE

Specialist and vocational routes



APPRENTICESHIP

Learn and work



TRAINING

Other progression routes

**Every student should understand their options
and make an informed choice.**

Belper Sixth Form

Your school. Your Sixth Form. Your next step?

Greater independence • greater depth • new opportunities



Known staff & community

Be part of a supportive and inclusive Sixth Form community.



Strong subject support

Expert teaching and guidance to help you achieve.



Enrichment & leadership

Develop new skills, take on leadership roles and try new experiences.



University & careers links

Advice, opportunities and pathways to your future.



Sixth Form Open Evening

15th October

Thank you for your support

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