

Ashfield Boys' High School



Year 8


December 2017


Examinations


Parents' Information Booklet


The following subjects do not have revision guidance:


- Physical Education
- Drama


Subject	 Art
Length of Examination	1 hour (A classes) 50 mins (B classes)
Question Paper	1 paper
Topics to Revise	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Colour theory● Visual elements- line, tone, shape, form, colour, texture● Drawing skills and techniques
Additional Information	<p>Pupils will be expected to answer a range of questions about the work of an artist.</p> <p>They will also have a drawing activity and should come prepared with drawing equipment: pencil, rubber, sharpener and colouring pencils.</p>

Subject	 English
Length of Examination	1 hour (AB1, AB2, AB3 & AB4) 50 minutes (AB5 & B2)
Question Paper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Reading assessment ● Poem to be read and questions answered ● One extended writing answer
Topics to Revise	Pick your favourite passage from a book at home and ask an adult to make up some questions on it. Then answer the questions with full and detailed answers. Finally, ask the adult to check your work for you!
Additional Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Read the passage through carefully, at least twice, before reading the questions. ● Give as much detail as you can in your answers so that you get all the marks available. ● Be aware of the number of marks per question. ● You must put a capital letter at the beginning of each answer and a full stop at the end; a ½ mark will be taken off if one of these is missing! ● No access to dictionaries and thesauri.


Subject	 Geography
Length of Examination	1 hour (A classes) 45minutes (B classes)
Question Paper	1 paper
Topics to Revise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Types of Geography : definition of key words • Environment : possible ways to improve it. • Map skills: direction, 4 figure grid references & symbols
Additional Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graphing skills • Geography comprehension task • Boys will need to bring a pen, pencil, rubber and ruler.


Subject	 History
Length of Examination	1 hour (A classes) 45 minutes (B classes)
Question Paper	1 paper
Topics to Revise	<p>Norman Conquest of England:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who were the Normans? • 3 rivals for the throne • Battle of Hastings
Additional Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History Skills - keywords • Interpreting sources • Chronological order: time and dates • Boys will need to bring a pen, pencil, rubber and ruler .

Subject	 Home Economics
Length of Examination	1 hour (AB1 to AB5 groups) 50 minutes (B2 group)
Question Paper	1 paper
Topics to Revise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kitchen Safety & personal/food hygiene (including): colour coded boards, rules & routines ● Equipment and its use. ● Use of the cooker. ● Reading and understanding a recipe.
Additional Information	<p>The paper will consist of a variety of tasks including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● multiple choice questions ● short questions, and ● extended writing questions. <p>The B2 paper will involve some drawing. Colours will be provided.</p>


Subject	 ICT
Length of Examination	1 hour
Question Paper	<p>The paper will consist of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Multiple choice questions ● Short questions ● Scenario based questions ● Extended writing question


Topics to Revise	You should revise the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E-safety – Social Networking • Spreadsheets – Microsoft Excel
Additional Information	You should revise everything that we have covered this year using the booklet and revision notes provided for you.


Subject	 Learning for Life & Work
Length of Examination	1 hour (8 Group 1, 2 and 3) 45 minutes (8 Group 4, 5 and 6)
Question Paper	1 paper
Topics to Revise	<u>8 Group 1 & 4 (Mrs Kerrigan) Employability:</u> Different types of jobs, Skills and Qualities needed for work, Communication and Body Language including workplace behaviour. <u>8 Group 2 & 5 (Mrs McNally) Personal Development:</u> Self Concept, Health with Feelings and Emotions <u>8 Group 3 & 6 (Mrs White) Citizenship:</u> Human Rights - History of UDHR, articles, UNCRC, rights and responsibilities, wants and needs and 'What is an effective Citizen?'
Additional Information	Marks will be awarded for subject knowledge as well as spelling, punctuation and grammar.


Subject	 Mathematics
Length of Examination	1 hour
Question Paper	1 calculator paper (30mins) 1 non-calculator paper (30mins)

Topics to Revise	Topic	Learning objectives
	4 Operations	Add, subtract, multiply and divide using written methods
	Types of Number	Identify and use multiples, factors and prime numbers
		Be able to identify square numbers and triangle numbers
		Be able to calculate square numbers and square roots
	Negative Numbers	Add, subtract, multiply and divide negative numbers
	Fractions	To simplify fractions
		To calculate a fraction of an amount
	Decimals	To order decimals
		To add, subtract, multiply and divide decimals
Fractions, Decimals & Percentages	To convert percentages to fractions	
	To convert percentages to decimals	
	To convert decimals to percentages	
Estimation & BODMAS	To round to nearest 10, 100, 1000	
	To estimate calculations	
	To use order of operations (BODMAS)	
Additional Information	Pupils will require a pen, pencil, ruler, rubber and a Casio calculator	


Subject	 Music
Length of Examination	1 hour (A classes) 45 mins (B classes)
Question Paper	Written paper (to include listening questions)
Topics to Revise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The elements of music ● What a graphic score is ● Rhythms and time signatures ● Note values ● Musical maths ● Pitch - notes on a stave
Additional Information	The paper will include a listening section with pieces of music both heard and unheard.

Subject	 Religious Education
Length of Examination	1 hour (A classes) 45 minutes (B classes)
Question Paper	1 paper
Topics to Revise	Unit 1: The Bible Unit 2: The life of Abraham
Additional Information	A mixture of question types will be used, some short (one word) answers and some longer paragraph or essay type responses.

Subject	 Science
Length of Examination	1 hour (A classes) 45 minutes (B classes)
Question Paper	1 paper
Topics to Revise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Introduction to Science ● Acids and Alkalis
Additional Information	Summary revision pages at the end of each booklet.

Subject	 Spanish
Length of Examination	1 hour (A classes) 45 minutes (B classes)
Question Paper	<p>Possible types of question:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Identity card ● Matching pairs/translation ● Meet and greet conversations ● Addition/subtraction in the Target Language ● Sequencing in the Target Language ● Understanding a calendar/birthdays ● Paint palette ● Countries ● Nationalities ● Self family and friends
Topics to Revise	Vocab booklet 1-modules 1-2

Additional Information	Emphasis on spellings in the Target Language
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Subject	 Technology & Design
Length of Examination	1 hour (all classes)
Question Paper	Written responses to questions identifying items and giving explanations. Design question.
Topics to Revise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Workshop Machinery. ● Safety in the Workshop. ● Tools and Materials used in the Workshop.
Additional Information	Pupils must come to the exam prepared with a pen, pencil, eraser, ruler and colouring pencils.